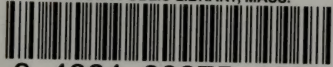




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# TOWN OFFICERS FOR 1891-92.

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## *Town Clerk.*

JAMES L. CHAPIN.

## *Selectmen and Overseers of the Poor.*

SAMUEL HARTWELL,

LORENZO E. BROOKS,

JOHN F. FARRAR.

## *Assessors.*

OGDEN CODMAN, CHARLES S. SMITH, WALLACE M. BROOKS.

## *Treasurer and Collector of Taxes.*

CHARLES S. WHEELER.

## *Auditor.*

WILLIAM L. G. PEIRCE.

## *Road Commissioners.*

ROGER SHERMAN, . . . . .	Term expires 1892.
LORENZO E. BROOKS, . . . . .	" " 1893.
DANIEL H. SHERMAN, . . . . .	" " 1894.

## *Constables.*

LORENZO E. BROOKS,

CHARLES F. MEAD.

## *School Committee.*

JAMES H. FARRAR, . . . . .	Term expires 1892.
CHARLES S. WHEELER, . . . . .	" " 1893.
GEORGE FLINT, . . . . .	" " 1894.

## *Superintendent of Schools.*

L. T. MCKENNEY.

## *Water Commissioners.*

LEONARD W. WESTON, . . . . .	Term expires 1892.
GEORGE L. CHAPIN, . . . . .	" " 1893.
ARTHUR W. KIDDER, . . . . .	" " 1894.

SAMUEL HARTWELL, Chairman of Selectmen, *ex-officio*.  
CHARLES S. WHEELER, Town Treasurer, *ex-officio*.



*Field Drivers.*

GEORGE L. CHAPIN,      LORENZO E. BROOKS,      SAMUEL FARRAR.

*Fence Viewers.*

JAMES E. BAKER,      ALBERT WASHBURN.

*Surveyors of Lumber.*

N. F. COUSINS,      GEORGE F. HARRINGTON,  
EDWARD R. FARRAR.

*Measurers of Wood and Bark.*

JAMES H. FARRAR,      JAMES L. CHAPIN,      EDWARD R. FARRAR,  
WALTER F. BAKER,      LORENZO E. BROOKS.

*Commissioners of Sinking and Trust Funds.*

JAMES L. CHAPIN,	.	.	.	.	Term expires 1892.
WARREN K. BLODGETT,	.	.	.	.	" " 1893.
LEONARD W. WESTON,	.	.	.	.	" " 1894.

*Cemetery Committee.*

CHARLES S. WHEELER,	.	.	.	.	Term expires 1892.
EDWARD C. FOSTER,	.	.	.	.	" " 1893.
JAMES L. CHAPIN,	.	.	.	.	" " 1894.
CHARLES S. SMITH,	.	.	.	.	" " 1895.
JOHN TASKER,	.	.	.	.	" " 1896.

*Sealer of Weights and Measures.*

JAMES L. CHAPIN.

*Sexton.*

EDA B. BARNES.

*Trustees of Lincoln Library.*

DR. GEORGE G. TARBELL, President,

SAMUEL H. PIERCE,      JOHN F. FARRAR,  
SAMUEL HARTWELL, Chairman of Selectmen, *ex-officio*.  
GEORGE FLINT, Chairman of School Committee, *ex-officio*.

*Trustees of Bemis Fund for Free Public Lectures.*

GEORGE FLINT,      GEORGE ROPES,      WARREN K. BLODGETT.

*Trustees of Grammar School Fund.*

CHARLES S. WHEELER,      EDWARD C. FOSTER,  
\*CHARLES F. TARBELL.

\* Deceased.

# WARRANT.

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## COMMONWEALTH OF MASSACHUSETTS.

MIDDLESEX, ss.

*To Lorenzo E. Brooks, or either of the Constables of the Town of Lincoln, in said County,* GREETING:

In the name of the Commonwealth of Massachusetts, you are hereby required to notify and warn the Inhabitants of the Town of Lincoln, duly qualified to vote in town affairs, to assemble at the hall over Mr. Chapin's store, on Monday, March seventh, next, at one o'clock P. M., to act on the following articles, viz:

ARTICLE 1. To choose a Moderator to preside at said meeting.

ART. 2. To hear reports of Town Officers, and Committees, and Commissioners, and enact anything in relation to said reports the Town shall think proper.

ART. 3. To choose all necessary Town Officers, Committees, Commissioners and Trustees.

ART. 4. To consider the Jury List as prepared by the Selectmen for revision and acceptance, and enact anything in relation thereto.

ART. 5. To determine the manner of repairing the Highways and Bridges of the Town the ensuing year.

ART. 6. To appropriate money for all necessary purposes of the town, including the Sinking Fund,

Bridging over Fitchburg Railroad, Villiage Improvements, etc., and enact anything in relation to the matter.

ART. 7. To give in their votes by ballot in answer to the question: "Shall licenses be granted for the sale of intoxicating liquors in this Town?"

The check list shall be used, as provided by Section 5, Chapter 100 of the Public Statutes.

ART. 8. To determine the manner of collecting taxes, also the Compensation of the Collector for the ensuing year; and to see whether the Town will authorize the Collector to use all means of collecting taxes which a Town Treasurer, when appointed collector may use.

ART. 9. To see if the Town will authorize their Treasurer, under the direction of the Selectmen, to borrow money in anticipation of taxes, or any other purpose, if necessary.

ART. 10. To see if the Town will continue its vote as heretofore, in relation to the use of a Hearse, or enact anything in relation to the same.

ART. 11. To see if the Town will put a watering trough and drinking pipe at the corner of the road, near the house of Mr. Farnsworth.

ART. 12. To see if the town will employ a suitable person to act as janitor of its Public Buildings, and have the care of the Public Grounds in or near the Centre of the Town, or enact anything in relation to the matter.

ART. 13. To see if the Town will withdraw from the District Superintendency.



ART. 14. To take any action the Town shall think proper in relation to the Tombs near the Town House.

ART. 15. To see if the Town will put a new watering trough in place of the one near Edwin Bemis' Corner, or take any action thereon.

ART. 16. To take any action the Town shall think proper in relation to the method of calling Town Meetings.

ART. 17. To take any action the Town shall think proper in relation to the rent of halls in the New Town House.

ART. 18. To see if the Town will cause the Old Chestnut Tree to be removed from the Common.

And you are directed to serve this Warrant by posting an attested copy thereof at each of the Post Offices and the Meeting House of the First Parish eight days, at least, before the time of Meeting, and making seasonable return hereof, with your doings thereon, to the Town Clerk. *Hereof fail not.*

Dated at Lincoln, this eighteenth day of February in the year of our Lord one thousand eight hundred and ninety-two.

SAMUEL HARTWELL,	} <i>Selectmen</i>
L. E. BROOKS,	
JOHN F. FARRAR,	
	<i>of</i>
	<i>Lincoln.</i>

## SELECTMEN'S REPORT.

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### *To the Inhabitants of Lincoln:*

The orders of the Selectmen appear unusually large the present year, various things entering in to bring about such a result, particularly the new Town House and the abatement of taxes, neither of which affect the finances of the town to any great extent, the funds to build the former being largely given, and the latter being largely the correction of errors in the Assessors' department. It will be observed that the school department, the highway department and the miscellaneous department, have each largely overdrawn the appropriations made for each during the year. In the miscellaneous department the following large items will not be likely to occur another year:—

Insurance on new Town House, . . .	\$230 00	
Tablet in memory of the late George G. Tarbell, the giver of our Free Public Library, . . . . .	278 00	
Lawyers' fees and expenses in the matter of the Bemis tax, . . . . .	416 87	
	————	\$924 87

### EXCHANGE OF DEEDS.

The matter of exchange of deeds with Mr. Ogden Codman of certain land near the South Schoolhouse, remains the same as in the last report of the Selectmen to the town, Mr. Codman not having responded to our invitation to have them exchanged.

### LAW SUIT.

The suit against the town for five thousand dollars damages for injuries on Page's road, so-called, is still pending, Samuel Hoar, Esq., having been engaged to defend the town.

## WATER DEBT.

The water debt of the town becomes due December 1st, 1894, (\$30,000.00). According to the report of the Sinking Fund Commissioners, one year ago, there still remains about \$21,000.00 to be raised to cancel the debt. In view of the near approach of the day of payment of the debt, and the fact that a large amount of property upon which taxes are levied at the present time, will depart after another year, the Selectmen recommend that the town raise by taxation a considerable amount the present year towards the payment of the debt, and would call the attention of the citizens of the town to the provisions of Chapter 29, of the Public Statutes of Massachusetts, particularly to the raising and maintaining of Sinking Funds for the payment of debts.

## GRADE CROSSINGS.

There is a probability that the two grade crossings at the Fitchburg railroad, known as Haynes' and Gray's crossings, may be united and a bridge built over the railroad, over which the public will travel. The engineer of the Fitchburg railroad has made surveys and estimates the entire cost at fifteen thousand dollars, ten per cent., or probably fifteen hundred dollars would have to be paid by the town of Lincoln, and the surface of the bridge and its approaches would have to be maintained by the town thereafter.

## NEW TOWN HOUSE.

With increased accommodations in the new Town House will come increased expenses. It is the opinion of this Board that the Town House should be kept warm through the entire cold weather. We need a man for janitor for our public buildings in the centre of the town, and to have the care of our public grounds who has no other business and will give his whole attention to the same. We believe it will be economy for the town and a source of comfort to all concerned.

SAMUEL HARTWELL,	}	<i>Selectmen of Lincoln.</i>
L. E. BROOKS,		
J. F. FARRAR,		

## Report of the Overseers of the Poor.

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The number of paupers maintained by the town of Lincoln, at the time of writing is (four) the same as last year.

Sarah C. Hartwell, being considered harmlessly insane was permitted to be removed from the Worcester Insane Asylum, and placed to board in a private family, the expense to the town being the same as at the Asylum. On March 24, she was placed to board with Mrs. C. W. Braithwaite at Southville, Mass.

Patrick Kenna remains at Worcester Lunatic Hospital.

Mary A. Souza was permitted to be removed from Worcester Lunatic Hospital by Mr. Souza, and has not been an expense to the town since October 13, last.

Jeremiah Burnett was sent to Worcester Hospital September 2, last, and his board has since been paid by the town.

John McGrath is still cared for by our townsman Mr. Daniel H. Sherman. For further particulars in relation to paupers we will refer to the expense account.

Military Aid (Chap. 279, Acts of 1889) is still continued to Thomas Lynagh of eight dollars per month, one-half of which will be returned by the State.

State Aid (Chap. 301 Acts of 1889) is being paid to Mrs. Alice Wilkinson to the amount of four dollars per month, all of which will be returned by the State.

Respectfully submitted by

SAMUEL HARTWELL,	} <i>Overseers</i>	
LORENZO E. BROOKS,		} <i>of</i>
J. F. FARRAR.		



## Town Grants for 1891-92.

For Schools and Superintendent, . . . . .	\$2,800 09
“ “ incidentals, . . . . .	800 00
“ Library, \$500; and Dog Tax, \$208.47, . . . . .	708 47
“ Support of Poor, . . . . .	1,000 00
“ Cemeteries, . . . . .	500 00
“ Interest, . . . . .	1,800 00
“ Highways and Bridges, . . . . .	4,000 00
“ Highways, etc. (special), . . . . .	1,000 00
“ Finishing and Furnishing new Town House, . . . . .	4,000 00
“ Miscellaneous, . . . . .	1,000 00
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	\$17,608 47

## Valuation and Assessment for 1891.

Valuation of personal estate taxed, . . . . .	\$1,840,582 00
“ real “ “ . . . . .	682,195 00
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Whole valuation, . . . . .	\$2,522,777 00

Rate of taxation \$5.70 per \$1,000.

No. of polls taxed, 278.

Tax assessed in 1891, . . . . .	\$14,931 33
Deduct County Tax, . . . . .	1,288 12
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Amount to be paid Town Treasurer, . . . . .	\$13,643 21
“ received by “ “ . . . . .	12,382 57
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Due on uncollected taxes, 1891, . . . . .	\$1,260 64

## Indebtedness of the Town.

Lincoln Water Bonds, due Dec. 1st, 1894, interest at six per cent., semi-annually, . . . . .	\$30,000 00
Less amount of Sinking Fund,	

## TREASURER'S REPORT.

*The Receipts into and Payments from the Treasury from Feb. 1, 1891, to Feb. 1, 1892, have been as follows:—*

Balance in the Treasury Feb. 1, 1891,	\$2,492 88	Paid Selectmen's orders,		\$37,853 79
Received of County Treasurer on account of Dog Tax returned,		" State Tax,		1,200 00
" of State Treasurer on account of Corporation Tax, 1890,	208 47	Balance in the Treasury,		4,087 39
" of State Treasurer on account of Corporation Tax, 1891,	967 69			
" of State Treasurer on account of National Bank Tax, 1891,	1,412 72			
" of State Treasurer on account of foreign ships, of State Treasurer on account of income Massachusetts School Fund,	1,428 43			
" of State Treasurer on account of Military Aid, Income of the Grammar School Fund,	156 36			
" of Edwin Bemis for gift on account of Town House,	42 00			
" of Executor of the estate of George F. Bemis,	63 34			
" of Lincoln Water Works,	2,000 00			
" of New England Trust Co., interest on deposits, of L. E. Brooks, Road Commissioner,	15,000 00			
" of Roger Sherman, Road Commissioner,	100 00			
" for use of Town Hall,	81 71			
" for old Town House and foundation stone, for old stoves at Town House,	14 25			
" for old lumber, etc., at Town House,	12 00			
" for old clock,	4 00			
" for old outhouse,	510 00			
" for School Superintendent,	2 40			
" for return of premium on insurance of Town House,	2 00			
" for school books sold, etc.,	2 25			
" balance of Taxes of 1890,	159 70			
" Interest on Taxes of 1891,	26 80			
" on account of Taxes of 1891,	1 52			
" Interest on	5,824 85			
	80 28			
	12,382 57			
	7 88			
	<u>\$43,141 18</u>			
		E. & O. E.		<u>\$43,141 18</u>

CHARLES S. WHEELER, *Treasurer.*

Having examined the accounts included in the foregoing report of the Treasurer, I find them correct.

W. L. G. PIERCE, *Auditor.*

# Expenditures.

## FOR SCHOOLS.

### RECEIPTS.

Town appropriation, Schools and Superintendent, . . . . .	\$2,800 00	
Income Massachusetts School Fund, . . . . .	156 36	
“ Grammar “ “ . . . . .	63 36	
		<hr/> \$3,019 72

### PAYMENTS.

#### *Centre School.*

J. C. Knowlton, teaching High School, . . . . .	\$421 98	
C. C. Davis, “ “ “ . . . . .	298 92	
George K. Small, “ “ “ . . . . .	138 95	
Henry A. Roberts, “ “ “ . . . . .	35 00	
Carrie B. Chapin, “ Centre Primary, . . . . .	430 00	
Ella L. Bates, “ . . . . .	156 00	
James H. Farrar, 33,600 lbs. coal, . . . . .	96 00	
J. L. Chapin & Son, care of house, . . . . .	70 00	
		<hr/> 1,646 85

#### *South School.*

Edith A. Andrews, teaching Grammar School 9 weeks, . . . . .	\$90 00	
Nellie J. Wentworth, teaching same, 8½ weeks, . . . . .	90 00	
Louise E. Dunsmore, teaching same, 2 weeks, . . . . .	22 00	
Harriette F. Sawin, teaching same, 17 weeks, . . . . .	187 00	
L. A. Wheeler, teaching Primary, 9 weeks, . . . . .	63 00	
Nellie B. Hooper, “ “ 29 “ . . . . .	283 00	
James H. Farrar, coal, . . . . .	187 66	
“ “ one cord wood, . . . . .	6 00	
Charles F. Mead, care of house 31 weeks, . . . . .	56 38	
James A. Tyler, “ “ “ 3 months, . . . . .	16 50	
Edith A. Andrews, cash for sweeping, . . . . .	1 00	
		<hr/> \$1,002 54

*North School.*

Florence M. Sherman, teaching 36 weeks,	\$317 00	
Henry A. Butcher, care of house 1 year, .	15 00	
George Flint, 6 cords wood, . . . .	35 00	
	<hr/>	367 00

*East School.*

Lillian M. Hoar, teaching 23 weeks, .	\$194 00	
William P. Dempsey, care of house, 2		
terms, . . . . .	9 00	
	<hr/>	203 00

## SUPERINTENDENT OF SCHOOLS.

## PAYMENTS.

George E. Wadsworth, services, . .	\$146 73	
L. T. McKenney, " . . . .	99 80	
	<hr/>	246 53
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		\$3,465 92
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Expended above appropriation, . . . .		\$446 20



## Incidental Expenditures.

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### FOR SCHOOLS.

#### RECEIPTS.

Town appropriation,	. . . .	\$800 00
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#### PAYMENTS.

##### *Centre School.*

E. W. Russell, painting building,	\$168 62	
N. F. Cousins, repairs on gutters, etc.,	40 17	
C. Forbush & Co., concrete,	32 00	
Water Commissioners, water service,	14 00	
Norcross Brothers, labor, etc.,	5 50	
		\$260 29

##### *South School.*

A. S. Lowden, half day's labor,	\$ 1 50	
C. F. Mead, brooms and soap,	80	
N. F. Cousins, repairs, etc.,	24 38	
Water Commissioners, water service,	14 00	
Butterfield & Glass, supplies,	2 30	
		\$ 42 98

##### *North School.*

N. F. Cousins, horse shed,	\$ 20 36	
Henry A. Butcher, washing room, windows, towels, and for sundries,	7 10	
Henry A. Butcher, sawing and housing 3 cords wood,	3 00	
Roger Sherman, moving and setting stone,	1 75	
		\$ 32 21

## GENERAL SCHOOL ACCOUNT.

George S. Perry, school supplies, . . .	\$ 95 85	
N. F. Cousins, sundries at schools, . . .	5 50	
Mrs. Dougherty, washing room, . . .	4 00	
“ “ “ 131 towels, . . .	6 55	
Thomas Hall, chemicals, etc., . . .	13 49	
A. G. Whitcomb, school furniture, . . .	21 00	
Houghton, Mifflin & Co., school books, . . .	1 15	
J. B. Lippincott & Co., “ “ . . .	10 27	
Lee & Shepard, “ “ . . .	12 50	
American Book Co., “ “ . . .	23 90	
Ginn & Company, “ “ . . .	21 56	
J. L. Hammett, two sets red objects, . . .	65	
Boston School Supply Co., school supplies, . . .	9 00	
Thorp & Adams Mfg. Co., Bay State blanks, . . .	1 20	
Thompson, Brown & Co., school books, . . .	7 50	
Effingham, Maynard & Co., “ “ . . .	16 62	
Silver, Burdett & Co., “ “ . . .	7 70	
D. C. Heath & Co., “ “ . . .	4 63	
Geo. M. Wadsworth, expressage, . . .	15 73	
L. T. McKenney, postage and expressage, . . .	2 76	
Hugh McKinnon, school wagon, . . .	235 00	
Thomas Hall, chemicals, . . . . .	2 25	
Everett S. Locke, repairs, . . . . .	18 80	
M. M. Welch, carrying school children, . . .	69 50	
James L. Chapin & Son, school supplies, . . .	6 78	
Roger Sherman, carrying school children, . . .	14 40	
M. L. Hatch, materials and repairs on water pipes, south and centre schools, . . .	22 90	
	<hr/>	\$651 19
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		\$986 67
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Expended above appropriation, . . .		\$186 67

## Library.

## RECEIPTS.

Town Grant, . . . . .	\$500 00	
“ “ dog tax, 1890, . . . . .	208 47	
	<u>          </u>	\$708 47

## PAYMENTS.

Samuel Hartwell, treasurer, . . . . .	\$708 47
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## Interest.

## RECEIPTS.

Town Grant, . . . . .	\$1,800 00
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## PAYMENTS.

Interest on Water Bonds, . . . . .	\$1,800 00
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## Special Account with Lincoln Water Works.

## PAYMENTS, 1889.

Town Loan to Water Works, . . . . .	\$500 00
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## RECEIPTS.

From Treasurer Lincoln Water Works, in 1890, . . . . .	\$200 00	
From ditto Feb. in 1892, . . . . .	100 00	
	<u>          </u>	\$300 00
Balance due the town, . . . . .		<u>          </u> \$200 00

## Highways and Bridges.

## RECEIPTS.

Town Grant, . . . . .	\$4,000 00	
“ “ special, . . . . .	1,000 00	
	<hr/>	\$5,000 00

## PAYMENTS.

Road Commissioners Orders, 1890, . . .	\$25 00	
“ “ “ 1891-92 . . .	5,593 07	
James L. Chapin & Son, Road Supplies, . .	29 09	
	<hr/>	\$5,647 16
Expenditures above appropriations, . . .		\$647 16

## Support of Poor.

## RECEIPTS.

Town appropriation, . . . . .	\$1,000 00
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## PAYMENTS.

Daniel H. Sherman, care of John McGrath and tramps, Jan. 1 to April 1, 1891,	\$75 00	
Daniel H. Sherman, ditto, April 1, 1891 to Jan. 1, 1892, . . . . .	262 50	
Worcester Lunatic Hospital, support of Patrick Kenna, 1 year, . . . . .	169 46	
Worcester Lunatic Hospital, support of Mary A. Souza to Oct. 13, . . . . .	132 79	
Worcester Insane Asylum, support of Sarah C. Hartwell, Jan. 1 to Mar. 24,	38 54	
Mrs. C. W. Braithwaite, support of Sarah C. Hartwell, Mar. 24 to Jan. 1, 1892,	131 38	
State Treasurer, support of Jeremiah Bur- nett from Sept. 2 to Dec. 31, 1891,	56 18	
	<hr/>	\$865 85
Unexpended balance, . . . . .		\$134 15



## Military Aid.

Chapter 279, Acts of 1889.

### PAYMENTS.

Thomas Lynagh, . . . . .	\$96 00
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## State Aid.

Chapter 301, Acts of 1889.

### PAYMENTS.

Alice Wilkinson, . . . . .	\$8 00
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## Cemeteries.

### RECEIPTS.

Town appropriation, . . . . .	\$500 00
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### PAYMENTS.

Edward Bannon, labor in Cemeteries, per order Cemetery Committee, . . .	75 25
Unexpended balance, . . . . .	\$424 75

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## Abatement of Taxes.

### PAYMENTS.

Charles S. Wheeler, *Collector*.

Poll Tax of G. W. Andrews, in 1889, . .	\$	2 00	
33 Poll Taxes in the year 1890, . . .		66 00	
Poll Tax assessed to John Lahay, 1891, .		2 00	
A portion of personal property tax, assessed Dec. 20, 1890, Est. of G. F. Bemis, .		2,431 61	
A portion of personal property tax, assessed May 1, 1891, Est. of G. F. Bemis, .		157 32	
A portion of personal property tax, assessed May 1, 1891, to George Flint . . .		40 00	
		\$2,698 93	

## Statement South Schoolhouse.

## EXPENDITURES.

Previously reported, . . . . .	\$7,766 82
Kendall & Higgins, paint etc., . . . . .	\$ 22 88
C. Forbush & Co., concrete, . . . . .	199 80
“ “ grading, . . . . .	10 00
A. Washburn, balance on labor, . . . . .	37 06
A. S. Lowden, labor, etc., (coal bin,) . . . . .	14 80
E. Irving Smith, drawing contract for grading, . . . . .	5 00
A. S. Brooks, 42 locust posts, . . . . .	14 70
Buttrick Lumber Co., lumber, . . . . .	86 78
N. F. Cousins, labor, lumber, etc., . . . . .	88 92
James H. Farrar, grading, . . . . .	26 50
Albert E. Wood, surveying, . . . . .	2 00
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	508 44
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Expenditures to Feb. 1, 1892, . . . . .	\$8,375 26

## Statement of Expenditures.

New Town House, to Feb. 5, 1892.

Paid H. Langford Warren, architect, $2\frac{1}{2}\%$	
on \$23,100, . . . . .	\$ 577 50
W. L. Rutan, cash on contract, . . . . .	17,750 00
A. Kohler & Co., cash on heating	
apparatus, . . . . .	425 00
The Damon Safe & Iron Works Co.,	
2 sets vault doors and expressage, . . . . .	104 55
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	\$18,857 05

## Miscellaneous Expenses.

## RECEIPTS.

Town appropriation,	\$1,000 00
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## PAYMENTS.

N. F. Cousins, patching Town Hall,	\$3 50
“ “ book-case for Pub. Documents,	12 27
James H. Farrar, services, School Com.,	25 00
Hartwell & Richardson, services upon alteration of Town Hall, 1890,	38 93
Otis H. Forbush, selling Town Hall, etc.,	10 00
Wm. L. G. Peirce, services at Nov. Election,	2 00
Benjamin Giles, “ “	2 00
Thomas L. Giles, “ “	2 00
C. S. Packard, removing bell, . . .	20 00
Geo. E. Crosby, 400 copies Town Report,	60 00
“ “ “ Town Warrants, . . .	1 50
“ “ “ printing Poll Tax lists, .	10 00
“ “ “ “ Small Posters, .	1 25
Wm. Barrett, agent, Premium on \$10,000 Insurance on New Town Hall, 5 yrs.,	100 00
Albert E. Wood, survey and plan, (Page's Road), . . . . .	7 50
John Evans & Co., bronze tablet, oak frame,	278 00
Water Commissioners, water service at two troughs, . . . . .	40 00
R. B. Somers, 700 Tax Bills, . . . .	2 50
P. B. Murphy, 4 books, assessor's sheets and covers, . . . . .	2 15
Charles S. Wheeler, collector's cash book,	1 75
“ “ “ collecting taxes for year 1890, rate $1\frac{1}{2}$ per cent., . . .	258 96
George W. W. Saville, services and expense laying out town way, near Dr. Chapin's, . . . . .	13 40
<i>Amount carried forward,</i> . . . . .	<u>\$892 71</u>

<i>Amount brought forward,</i>	\$892 71
Samuel W. Tucker, notice County Commissioner's meeting, Sept. 28, 1891,	8 56
John Lowell, legal services in the matter of tax, estate of the late G. F. Bemis,	200 00
E. Irving Smith, legal services in matter of tax, estate of the late G. F. Bemis,	200 00
E. Irving Smith, cash paid for stenographer,	16 87
Fred W. Jackson, M. D., for return of 9 births and 8 deaths, from 1887 to 1892,	4 25
William Barrett, agent, Insurance on Town Hall, \$10,000, Mutual Companies, 3 years,	130 00
Francis A. Wheeler, services at Nov. Election,	2 00
L. E. Brooks, fees and expenses in cases in Middlesex Central Court,	22 74
J. W. Kearney, do.,	3 45
Wm. Craig, " "	2 85
George Flint, services on School Committee,	25 00
Samuel Hartwell, services as Selectman,	50 00
" " " " Overs'r of Poor,	25 00
" " " " Registrar,	5 00
" " moving furniture and sale Town Hall,	5 00
Samuel Hartwell, journey and expense to Boston,	3 00
Samuel Hartwell, cash for posters, etc.,	4 82
" " " " postage and stationery,	3 50
L. E. Brooks, services as Selectman,	30 00
" " " " Overseer of Poor,	15 00
" " " " Registrar,	5 00
Wallace M. Brooks, services as Assessor,	75 00
Ogden Codman, " " "	75 00
Charles S. Smith, " " "	75 00
" " " cash for copying, etc.,	5 00
" " " " " Collector's book,	1 00
<i>Amount carried forward,</i>	<u>\$1,885 75</u>



<i>Amount brought forward,</i>		\$1,885 75
Charles S. Smith, cash for Assessor's book,		1 75
“ “ “ express, postage and stationery,		2 00
E. B. Barnes, returning 10 deaths in 1890,		2 50
“ “ “ 12 “ “ 1891,		3 00
John F. Farrar, services as Selectman,		30 00
“ “ “ “ “ Over'r of Poor,		25 00
“ “ “ “ “ Registrar,		5 00
James L. Chapin & Son, care of Town Hall,		5 00
“ “ “ “ use of Hall,		12 00
James L. Chapin, services as Town Clerk,		25 00
“ “ “ “ “ Registrar,		10 00
“ “ “ “ “ ringing bell,		6 00
“ “ “ express and postage,		4 30
“ “ “ recording 14 births,		7 00
“ “ “ “ 8 marriages,		1 20
“ “ “ “ 14 deaths,		2 80
Charles S. Wheeler, services as Treasurer,		50 00
“ “ “ “ “ Sch'l Com.		25 00
“ “ “ postage and stationery,		3 00
“ “ “ Police badge,		75
Charles F. Mead, services at Nov. Election,		2 00
L. E. Brooks, services as Constable,		11 50
“ “ serving dog warrant,		7 00
“ “ taking school census 2 days,		5 00
“ “ horse 2 days,		3 50
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		\$2,136 05
Expended above appropriation,		\$1,136 05

## Statement of Expenses,

FROM FEB. 1, 1891, TO FEB. 1, 1892.

For Schools, . . . . .	\$4,206 06
School Superintendent, . . . . .	246 53
Library, . . . . .	708 47
Support of Poor, . . . . .	865 85
Military aid, . . . . .	96 00
State aid, . . . . .	8 00
Cemeteries, . . . . .	75 25
Interest, . . . . .	1,800 00
Highways and bridges, . . . . .	5,647 16
South School House, . . . . .	508 44
New Town House, . . . . .	18,857 05
Abatement of Taxes, . . . . .	2,698 93
Miscellaneous expenses, . . . . .	2,136 05
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Amount of Selectmen's orders, . . . . .	\$37,853 79

## Jury List.

The following names are presented to the town, by the Selectmen, from which to supply jurors for the ensuing year :

Herbert E. Barnes,	George Ropes,
John F. Farrar,	William H. Sherman.
Herbert W. Farrar,	Charles S. Smith,
Edward C. Foster,	T. Wilber Smith,
George F. Harrington,	Zenas G. Smith.
George P. Haynes,	Charles S. Wheeler,
George H. Hoar,	Charles Edgar Wheeler,

Louis H. Whitney.

SAMUEL HARTWELL,	} <i>Selectmen</i>
L. E. BROOKS,	
J. F. FARRAR,	
	<i>of</i>
	<i>Lincoln.</i>

LINCOLN, Feb. 18, 1892.

## Assessors' Report.

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The Assessors respectfully submit the following report :

As regards the tax assessed on the estate of the late George F. Bemis on Dec. 20, 1890, which was somewhat complicated by a questionable assessment and an illegal abatement, we have employed counsel as directed by the Town by a vote passed at the last March meeting. We secured the services of Judge John Lowell, also E. I. Smith who had strenuously urged the assessment of the tax in question.

A hearing of the case was had at which the Executor was examined under oath and the evidence taken down by a stenographer. The case was then left in Judge Lowell's hands. He advised the abatement of \$2,431.61, or about two-thirds of the whole tax assessed on the above date, which abatement was made.

It seemed to your Assessors that the Corporation and Bank Tax received from the State was not as large as it should be, and we were led to examine carefully the records at the State House to discover, if possible, some additional income for the Town. We found several hundred dollars of tax which the Town should have had the benefit of for several years, but which it failed to secure through the oversight presumably of a former Board of Assessors. It is a matter for deep regret that a sum sufficient to pay nearly one-eighth of the Town's indebtedness, which has gone to enrich other municipalities, should have been so carelessly lost.

Your Assessors have labored under some disadvantage from the fact that none of them had had any previous experience in the duties and business required of them. We believe, however, that our records will show a strict adherence to the oath we took in the beginning.

The following is taken from the records :

## VALUATION MAY 1, 1891.

Real Estate, (land), . . . . .	\$326,637 00
“ “ (buildings), . . . . .	351,458 00
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	\$678,095 00
Personal Estate, . . . . .	1,839,382 00
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	\$2,517,477 00
Additions to Real Estate, . . . . .	4,100 00
“ Personal Estate, . . . . .	1,200 00
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	\$2,522,777 00
Abatements Personal Estate, . . . . .	34,618 00
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	\$2,488,159 00

## TAXES.

State Tax, . . . . .	\$ 1,200 00
County Tax, . . . . .	1,288 12
Town Grant, . . . . .	11,900 00
Overlayings, . . . . .	509 00
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	\$14,897 12
Additional tax on Real Estate, . . . . .	23 37
“ “ Personal Estate, . . . . .	6 84
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	\$14,927 33
Abatements Personal Estate, . . . . .	197 32
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	\$14,730 01

Rate of Taxation, per \$1,000, \$5.70.

Number of Polls, 275 males, 3 females.

## ASSETS.

## LIABILITIES.

Schoolhouses, . . . . .	\$16,000 00	Water Bonds, . . . . .	\$30,000 00
Public Library, . . . . .	30,000 00	Trust Funds, . . . . .	6,048 00
Books, . . . . .	2,500 00		
Other Public Buildings, . . . . .	1,500 00		
Cemeteries, . . . . .	2,500 00		
Water Works, . . . . .	40,000 00		
Trust Funds, . . . . .	6,048 00		
Water Sinking Fund, . . . . .	8,180 00		
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	\$106,728 00		\$36,048 00

Assets over Liabilities, \$70,680.00.

## PROPERTY EXEMPTED.

Public Library and Books,	. . . . .	\$32,500 00
First Parish,	. . . . .	3,300 00
Unitarian Cong'l Society,	. . . . .	2,650 00
St. Anne Episcopal Society,	. . . . .	2,150 00
South Hall Corporation,	. . . . .	900 00
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		\$41,500 00

A list of persons and estates that have paid, in either of the last two years, a tax on more than \$20,000.

## 1890.

	VAL. OF ESTATE.	TAX.
Estate of George F. Bemis, . . . . .	\$656,700 00	\$5,516 28
Trustees Est. of Thomas Dana, . . . . .	27,937 00	234 67
Estate of George G. Tarbell, . . . . .	132,000 00	1,108 80
George Ropes, . . . . .	61,485 00	518 47
Ogden Codman, . . . . .	37,030 00	313 05
George Flint, . . . . .	28,970 00	245 35
George G. Tarbell, . . . . .	22,470 00	195 34
William A. Burnham, . . . . .	21,635 00	181 73
Warren K. Blodgett, . . . . .	20,000 00	170 00

## 1891.

Francis Flint, Executor, . . . . .	702,400 00	4,003 68
Trustees Est. John A. Burnham, . . . . .	635,187 00	3,620 56
Estate George G. Tarbell, . . . . .	100,000 00	570 00
Trustees Estate Thomas Dana, . . . . .	45,550 00	261 64
William A. Burnham, . . . . .	41,626 00	239 27
Warren K. Blodgett, . . . . .	47,625 00	271 46
Ogden Codman, . . . . .	40,198 00	231 13
George Flint, . . . . .	55,622 00	319 05
Orilla J. Flint, . . . . .	46,774 00	266 61
George Ropes, . . . . .	45,550 00	261 64
George G. Tarbell, . . . . .	22,470 00	134 38



A Table showing the Valuation, Tax, Tax Rate, etc., since the year 1860 :

Year	No. Polls	Value Personal Estate	Value Real Estate	Amount of Tax.	Rate per \$1,000	No. Houses	No. acres Land
1861	203	\$ 159,233	\$385,660	\$4,069 53	\$6 66	125	8842
1862	205	149,695	392,445	5,137 14	8 46	128	8842
1863	199	185,756	394,215	6,798 41	10 80	128	8842
1864	204	98,117	397,041	8,277 74	15 54	130	8842
1865	200	162,680	399,481	9,359 68	15 54	129	8844
1866	198	185,855	398,865	6,725 99	10 44	129	8844
1867	202	196,149	398,930	7,633 99	11 80	131	8844
1868	203	199,915	401,601	5,120 37	7 50	132	8844
1869	206	210,479	403,147	6,876 63	10 20	135	8844
1870	213	227,931	411,631	11,545 62	17 00	136	8844
1871	239	237,627	421,455	10,612 80	15 00	138	8844
1872	231	380,860	531,425	10,740 85	10 90	139	8844
1873	217	257,085	533,287	11,639 69	13 70	145	8844
1874	235	251,997	551,827	12,702 16	14 70	146	8713
1875	250	226,816	548,972	12,391 73	14 90	147	9130
1876	256	231,077	557,713	13,921 66	17 00	154	8976
1877	269	217,572	566,038	12,684 07	15 50	157	8977
1878	254	215,302	563,074	11,016 21	13 50	155	8977
1879	262	193,749	567,259	7,373 00	9 00	157	8957
1880	257	326,748	565,839	6,583 72	6 80	159	8840
1881	264	363,677	564,344	6,906 16	6 00	159	8834
1882	257	709,160	565,366	8,803 11	6 50	156	8845
1883	278	586,407	582,186	9,671 02	7 80	160	8867
1884	287	518,676	587,201	12,075 12	10 40	160	8905
1885	284	467,079	602,890	5,703 85	4 80	163	8913
1886	284	697,448	609,320	12,067 56	8 80	164	8946
1887	296	782,085	619,995	12,089 02	8 20	170	8963
1888	282	1,000,792	629,485	10,671 67	6 20	170	8973
1889	299	751,340	633,760	17,357 65	12 10	171	8978
1890	310	890,603	649,085	13,547 38	8 40	177	8973
1891	276	1,839,382	678,095	14,897 12	5 70	180	8970

OGDEN CODMAN,  
 CHARLES S. SMITH,  
 WALLACE M. BROOKS,

} Assessors  
 of  
 Lincoln.

## Road Commissioners' Report.

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The Road Commissioners herewith submit their annual report, and beg leave to state that the roads are somewhat improved over last year, but there still remains much work that ought to be done. This is especially true of the North and South County roads, a considerable outlay of money being necessary on the latter road between the house of Mr. Eveleth and Lee's Bridge, and for these and other necessary repairs, we shall ask for a liberal appropriation the coming year. These county roads ought to be fixed and placed in as good condition as those of adjoining towns, and to do this must have considerable money.

While we dislike to criticise the acts of many of our citizens, we deprecate the methods many have fallen into, of carelessly dumping rocks and rubbish on the side of the highways. The highways ought to be kept neat and cleanly, and we would respectfully call attention to this matter that it may be remedied in the future. The straightening and widening of the road above the church cost much more than we expected and more than the appropriation, but we believe we have a good road and one that will last for many years, is the result.

The guide boards in some parts of the town are in a poor condition, many of which will have to be repainted and some replaced with new boards this year.

There has been expended for breaking out snow roads, \$146.74 ; for general repairs, tools and gravel, \$3,969.56 ; for straightening and widening road above the church, \$1,505.52 ; making a total of \$5,621.82. Below will be found a detailed statement of the payments on account of Roads and Bridges.

DANIEL H. SHERMAN,	} <i>Road</i>
LORENZO E. BROOKS,	
ROGER SHERMAN.	

*Commissioners.*

## PAYMENTS.

L. E. Brooks, 81 days, . . . .	\$202 50
“ “ men, 262 days, . . . .	458 50
“ “ horses, 290 days, . . . .	507 50
“ “ breaking roads, . . . .	21 50
“ “ cash paid for tools, . . . .	19 08
“ “ “ “ repairing tools, . . . .	90
“ “ “ “ sharpening “ . . . .	2 65
“ “ “ “ 584 ft. plank, . . . .	9 93
A. S. Brooks & Son, 12 days, . . . .	21 00
“ “ “ horses, 10 days, . . . .	17 50
“ “ “ 81 loads gravel, . . . .	4 05
Eugene Jose, 17 days, . . . .	29 75
“ “ shoveling snow, 1 day, . . . .	1 75
C. E. Brown, breaking roads, . . . .	2 80
“ “ 177 loads gravel, . . . .	8 85
John P. Taylor, 194 loads gravel, . . . .	9 70
W. O. Benjamin, 170 loads gravel, . . . .	8 50
George Flint, 41 loads gravel, . . . .	2 05
McHugh Bros., breaking roads, . . . .	1 40
Wm. Hosea & Sons, shoveling snow, . . . .	9 27
Roger Sherman, 105 days, . . . .	262 50
“ “ men, 277 days, . . . .	484 75
“ “ horses, 197 days, . . . .	344 75
M. C. Baldwin, 2½ days, . . . .	4 37
“ “ horses, 2 days, . . . .	3 50
A. P. Hunter, 15½ days, . . . .	27 12
“ “ horses, 10½ days, . . . .	18 37
Mason P. Hunter, 3 days, . . . .	5 25
“ “ horses, 5½ days, . . . .	10 50
A. J. Hunter, 1⅓ days, . . . .	2 33
Anthony Dempsy, 23 days, . . . .	40 49
Matthew Ellsworth, 1½ days . . . .	2 62
J. Spencer, 9 days, . . . .	15 75
“ “ horses, 5½ days, . . . .	9 62
Wm. Wooley, 3 days, . . . .	5 25
D. Dougherty, 2 days, . . . .	3 50
M. Dempsey, 2 days, . . . .	3 50
<i>Amount carried forward,</i> . . . .	<u>\$2,583 35</u>

<i>Amount brought forward,</i>	.	.	.	\$2,583	35
Roger Sherman, breaking roads,	.	.	.	17	71
Gardner Moore, " "	.	.	.	13	07
A. P. Hunter, " "	.	.	.	10	50
Mason P. Hunter, " "	.	.	.	5	77
M. Spencer, " "	.	.	.	1	75
Dennis Dougherty, " "	.	.	.	4	37
Anthony Dempsey, " "	.	.	.	4	22
M. Dempsey, " "	.	.	.	2	10
W. Conway, " "	.	.	.	1	75
J. T. Laird, " "	.	.	.	4	20
Andrew Dougherty, stone drag,	.	.	.	6	00
W. W. Clark & Son, powder, fuse, etc.,	.	.	.	5	85
Josiah Fowler, drills, hammer, etc.,	.	.	.	11	98
" " sharp'g and repairing tools,	.	.	.	11	30
D. H. Sherman, 42½ days,	.	.	.	106	25
" " men, 109½ days,	.	.	.	192	20
" " teams, 145½ days,	.	.	.	254	33
W. H. Sherman and men, 98½ days,	.	.	.	171	91
" " teams, 80½ days,	.	.	.	140	38
H. A. Sherman, 3 days,	.	.	.	5	25
Rodman Snelling, men, 17½ days,	.	.	.	30	62
" " horses, 7 days,	.	.	.	12	25
" " oxen, 5 days,	.	.	.	13	13
James H. Farrar, man, 6½ days,	.	.	.	11	37
" " team, 12½ days,	.	.	.	22	75
Edward Ryan, 12 days,	.	.	.	21	00
William Ryan, 13½ days,	.	.	.	23	33
John Ryan, 5½ days,	.	.	.	10	11
John Maguire, 35½ days,	.	.	.	62	70
William Coughlin, 12½ days,	.	.	.	21	58
William Donovan, 11½ days,	.	.	.	19	83
Owen Martin, and man, 33½ days,	.	.	.	58	08
George Sherman, 4½ days,	.	.	.	8	36
Harry Haynes, 8½ days,	.	.	.	15	56
Patrick Craven, 1 day,	.	.	.	1	75
Martin Flynn, 8½ days,	.	.	.	14	58
John Grady, 1 day,	.	.	.	1	75
William Miller, 8 days,	.	.	.	14	00
<i>Amount carried forward,</i>	.	.	.	\$3,916	57





<i>Amount brought forward,</i>	.	.	.	\$662 28
M. D. Spencer, 28 $\frac{1}{3}$ days,	.	.	.	49 19
Wm. Ryan, 16 $\frac{1}{2}$ days,	.	.	.	28 87
John Flynn, 7 days,	.	.	.	12 25
A Messenger, 24 $\frac{1}{2}$ days,	.	.	.	42 87
D. Marsden, 11 days,	.	.	.	19 25
Michael Cuff, 25 $\frac{1}{2}$ days,	.	.	.	44 62
Anthony Dempsey, 2d, 3 $\frac{7}{8}$ days,	.	.	.	6 51
James Tyler, 18 $\frac{1}{3}$ days,	.	.	.	32 00
Anthony Dempsey, 9 $\frac{1}{2}$ days,	.	.	.	16 18
C. S. Bean, 11 days,	.	.	.	19 21
Wm. Harding, laying wall, 16 $\frac{2}{5}$ days,	.	.	.	37 00
D. H. Sherman, 1 day,	.	.	.	2 50
“ “ man, 10 $\frac{1}{3}$ days,	.	.	.	18 08
“ “ team, 20 $\frac{2}{3}$ days,	.	.	.	36 16
“ “ hauling pipe from depot,	.	.	.	6 00
“ “ paid D. W. Lewis, for sewer pipe,	.	.	.	116 04
D. H. Sherman, paid freight on sewer pipe,	.	.	.	8 65
“ “ “ fare to Boston, twice,	.	.	.	95
W. W. Clark & Son, dynamite caps, etc.,	.	.	.	7 84
Repairing and sharpening tools,	.	.	.	1 18
F. E Cousins bill, labor, lumber, etc.,	.	.	.	4 00
Josiah Fowler, bill, catch basins,	.	.	.	21 32
“ “ “ repairing stump puller,	.	.	.	1 50
L. E. Brooks, 20 days,	.	.	.	50 00
“ “ men, 44 days,	.	.	.	77 00
“ “ horses, 51 days,	.	.	.	89 25
A. S. Brooks & Son, 21 days,	.	.	.	36 75
“ “ “ “ horses, 2 days,	.	.	.	3 50
Eugene Jose, laying wall and drawing stone	.	.	.	10 50
L. E. Brooks, paid for stone bounds,	.	.	.	25
“ “ “ “ plank,	.	.	.	1 00
“ “ “ “ use of wagon,	.	.	.	4 50
Michael Ward, laying wall,	.	.	.	22 50
George Flint, for gravel,	.	.	.	15 80
				<hr/> \$1,505 52
Received for loam,	.	.	.	25 00
Appropriated by the Town,	.	.	.	1,000 00
				<hr/> \$1,025 00

## TOWN CLERK'S REPORT.

There have been registered the past year, ending Jan. 1, 1892 :

- 16 Births.
- 14 Deaths.
- 8 Marriages.

as shown by the following lists of names. If any inaccuracies are discovered, please report them to the clerk for correction.

There have been 117 dogs licensed, for which there has been paid to the County Treasurer the sum of \$258.60.

Very respectfully submitted by

JAMES L. CHAPIN, *Town Clerk.*

LINCOLN, Feb. 16, 1892.

## BIRTHS REGISTERED.

Date of Birth.	Name of Child.	Name of Father.	Name of Mother.
Feb. 2, 1891.	Ray Nuttall Fisher.	William H.	Mary J.
" 14, "	Hugh Kenna.	James J.	Catherine T.
" 22, "	Arthur Flint Chapin.	George L.	Clara L.
" 24, "	Edward White.	Thomas.	Ellen.
April 6, "	—— McIntire.	James C.	Hattie.
" 9, "	Bertha Emma Dutcher.	Edwin.	Jennie L.
" 19, "	Chester B. Wheeler.	C. Edgar.	Elizabeth S.
June 6, "	Jeremiah Moynehan.	Timothy.	Lizzie.
Aug. 7, "	Evelyn Beedle Miner.	Everett L.	Catherine V.
Sept. 1, "	Hugh Leo Kenna.	John J.	Ina S.
Oct. 26, "	Edward Ryan.	John.	Statia.
Nov. 28, "	Josephine Dempsey.	Frank M.	Mary.
" 29, "	—— Harding.	Charles.	Mary.
Dec. 4, "	Genevieve Guirada.	John.	Scholastica.
" 11, "	—— Wheeler.	Charles S.	Eliza R.
" 19, "	Blanche Edie Tyler.	Watson.	Annie.

Whole number of births registered,	16
Males,	9
Females,	7

*Nativity of Parents.*

United States,	14
Nova Scotia,	6
Prince Edward Island,	1
Ireland,	8
England,	1
Austria,	1
Italy,	1

## DEATHS REGISTERED.

Date of Death.	Names.	Age.			Cause of Death.
		y.	m.	d.	
May 4, 1891.	Thomas Ham,	57	5	6	Septicæmia.
" 5, "	Edith A. Hartwell.	7	5	14	Measles.
June 20, "	Edward Stearns.	74	-	3	Diabetis Mellitum Carbuncle.
Aug. 8, "	Daniel Plenty.	25	-	-	General Tuberculosis.
" 9, "	Minnie Louise Blodgett.	34	9	-	Acute Intestinal Obstruction.
" 30, "	Jennette Holman.	61	-	28	Pulmonary Disease.
Sept. 5, "	William H. Fiske.	69	2	-	Bright's Disease.
Oct. 1, "	Hannah F. Weston.	83	9	5	Senile Catarrh.
" 29, "	Mary (Bradley) Kelly.	80	-	-	Old Age.
" 30, "	Lucy H. White.	85	10	13	Apoplexy.
" 31, "	Charles F. Tarbell.	28	7	25	Hemiplegia.
Nov. 5, "	Bridget Sexton.	60	-	-	Apoplexy.
" 23, "	Chester B. Wheeler.	-	7	4	Pertussis and Hydrocephalus.
Dec. 15, "	Henry C. N. Laird.	1	8	4	Teething Convulsions.

Number of Deaths registered, . . . . . 14  
 Males, . . . . . 7  
 Females, . . . . . 7

## MARRIAGES REGISTERED.

Date of Marriage.	NAMES.	Age.	Residence.	Occupation.
Jan. 7, 1891, {	Benjamin S. Patterson.	30	Lincoln.	Carpenter.
	Mary C. Underwood.	23	Lincoln.	At Home.
Apr. 8, " {	C. Edgar Wheeler.	27	Lincoln.	Farmer.
	Elizabeth S. Browning.	20	Lincoln.	At Home.
" 18, " {	Amos Holman.	21	Lincoln.	Butcher.
	Katie Butcher.	22	Lincoln.	House Work.
" 27, " {	Cornelius Bernard.	24	Lincoln.	Laborer.
	Lizzie Flynn.	26	Boston.	House Work.
Oct. 5, " {	William Miller.	22	Lincoln.	Farmer
	Bessie Frasier.	21	Concord.	House Work.
Nov. 4, " {	Nickoli Mickkleson.	34	Lincoln.	Laborer.
	Carrie Jacobson.	34	Boston.	Domestic.
" 26, " {	Michael Cahill.	22	Lincoln.	Farmer.
	Annie Murphy.	23	Lincoln.	House Work.
" 26, " {	Napoleon Gilbert.	21	Lincoln.	Farmer.
	Agnes Delory.	20	Lincoln.	At Home.

Whole number of Marriages registered, . . . . . 8

## Report of Water Commissioners.

The Water Board is able to report that the entire works are in excellent condition, and also is pleased to report an increased number of faucets. The purchase of two new hydrants, with other expenses for improvements, will enable us to pay only one hundred dollars of the Town loan.

The Board would respectfully recommend the town to purchase five hundred feet or more of hose for the protection of our public buildings.

Respectfully submitted,

L. W. WESTON, *Chairman.*

Lincoln, Feb. 8, 1892.

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The Receipts and Expenditures of the Water Works for the year are as follows, viz :

### RECEIVED.

Balance on hand, Feb. 1, 1891,	.	.	.	.	\$297 92
Cash received from water rates,	.	.	.	.	963 50
Interest on deposit,	.	.	.	.	99
					<hr/>
					\$1,262 41

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### CASH PAID.

M. L. Hatch, repairs,	.	.	.	.	\$ 25 75
James T. Laird, pumping 13 months,	.	.	.	.	243 00
“ “ labor and teaming,	.	.	.	.	32 00
“ “ 4 cords pine wood,	.	.	.	.	20 00
Fitchburg R. R. Co., freight,	.	.	.	.	56 76
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Amount carried forward,	.	.	.	.	\$377 51



<i>Amount brought forward,</i>		\$377 51
H. R. Worthington, repairs on pumps,		34 32
Smith & Wiley, 20 tons coal,		93 50
H. Stahl, oil,		5 80
J. F. Jones & Co., oil,		4 30
Walworth Manufacturing Co.,		32 44
Sewall & Day Cordage Co., manilla yarn,		6 93
Star Brass Manufacturing Co., counter,		25 00
Norcross Bros., cement,		1 75
Waltham Water Works, repairs on pipe,		
and setting new hydrants,		32 89
William A. Hunnewell, coal,		33 00
Horatio Wellington, coal,		195 35
“ “ coal,		24 05
Zenas G. Smith, teaming,		41 25
L. W. Weston, labor, etc.,		47 55
King & Goddard, 2 hydrants,		64 00
Joseph Underwood, lumber,		2 28
James L. Chapin, labor 2 men		3 00
Treasurer, Town of Lincoln,		100 00
		<hr/> \$1,124 92
Balance on hand, Feb. 1, 1892,		<hr/> \$137 49

## Report of the Commissioners of Sinking and Trust Funds.

The Sinking Fund is invested as follows :

James H. Farrar's Mortgage,		\$3,000 00
M. M. Rope's “		2,500 00
Fitchburg R. R. Co. 7 per cent. bond (due 1894),		1,060 63
Cash in Trust Co.,		1,446 49
Cash in hands of Treasurer,		5 47
		<hr/> \$8,012 59

## TRUST FUNDS.

The George Russell legacy of \$1,000, received June, 1885, is invested as follows:

* Herodotus M. Taylor's Mortgage, . . .	\$675 00	
John Landahl's Mortgage (in process of foreclosure), . . . . .	325 00	
	<hr/>	\$1,000 00

The income from this legacy, amounting to \$458.02, has been paid from time to time to the Trustees of the Public Library.

The George G. Tarbell legacy of \$5,000, received July, 1890, is invested as follows:

Caroline A. Nye's Mortgage, . . . . .	\$1,000 00	
Onville Woodsome's " . . . . .	2,000 00	
C. H. Stratton's " . . . . .	1,500 00	
Cash in Trust Co., . . . . .	500 00	
	<hr/>	\$5,000 00

There has been received from this fund the following amounts:

Charles S. Smith, . . . . .	60 00	
Onville Woodsome, . . . . .	71 67	
Caroline A. Nye, . . . . .	54 44	
Interest on Bank account, . . . . .	87 14	
C. H. Stratton (to June, 1892), . . . . .	90 00	
	<hr/>	\$363 25
Paid Recording Mortgage, . . . . .	1 00	
Trustees Public Library, . . . . .	317 25	
Cash in Trust Co., . . . . .	45 00	
	<hr/>	\$363 25

Respectfully submitted for the Commissioners by

W. K. BLODGETT, *Chairman.*

LINCOLN, Feb., 1892.

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## LINCOLN LIBRARY, TREASURER'S REPORT.

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February 1st, 1891 —				Paid T. Wilber Smith, Janitor . . .	\$125 00
To balance in Treasury . . .			\$34 90	Hulda A. Howes, Librarian . . .	100 00
Town Appropriation . . .			500 00	L. J. Chapin, Assistant Librarian . . .	100 00
“ “ Dog Tax . . .			208 47	for books, magazines and papers . . .	340 85
Interest on Russell Legacy . . .			83 02	for insurance on building, . . .	75 00
“ “ Codman “ . . .			40 00	for 200 library supplements . . .	7 50
“ “ Tarbell “ . . .			200 00	for water service . . .	18 00
Fines on books . . .			23 80	for binding books and magazines . . .	6 55
Sales of Catalogues and Views . . .			1 00	for fertilizer, care of lawn, etc. . .	57 75
Gift of Ogden Codman . . .			75 00	for repairs on conductor, pipe, etc. . .	26 65
				for repairs on clock . . .	14 85
				for painting floor, windows, etc. . .	84 90
				for ten tons coal . . .	67 50
				for repairs on ceiling, 1890 . . .	22 94
				J. L. Chapin & Son, oil and sundries . . .	15 92
				for sundries . . .	16 80
				Unexpended balance . . .	85 98
			\$1,166 19		\$1,166 19

SAMUEL HARTWELL, *Treasurer.*

## AUDITOR'S REPORT.

Having examined the bills and vouchers presented to the several officers of the town for payment, and paid according to the foregoing reports, I find them correct as far as figures are concerned. Some bills, particularly road bills, should never have been paid in the form in which they were presented, but should have been returned for more definite description of items.

W. L. G. PEIRCE, *Auditor*.

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## REPORT OF THE TRUSTEES OF THE PUBLIC LIBRARY.

LINCOLN, February 6, 1892.

The Trustees of the Library present herewith the Report of its Treasurer, and the usual statistical report of its Librarian, which show the condition of the Library at the close of the year. A gift of seventy-five dollars from Ogden Codman, Esq., is gratefully acknowledged.

Of the constant growth and increased usefulness of the Library, and of the comfort and pleasure derived by those using it, a glimpse at the reading-room on any Wednesday or Saturday will bear ample testimony.

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## STATISTICS OF LINCOLN PUBLIC LIBRARY.

No. of volumes in Library, . . . . .	4,495
“ “ added past year, . . . . .	545
Total delivery of books for home use from Jan. 1, 1891, to Jan. 1, 1892, . . . . .	3,126
Registration of borrowers, . . . . .	329
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Monk and knight. Gunsauls, F. W..	1012.19	O'Rell, M. <i>pseud.</i> See Blöuet, P.	
Montgomery, D. H. Leading facts of American history.....	325.11	Orr, Mrs. S. Life and letters of Robert Browning.....	616.7
Morfill, W. R. Story of Russia. (Story of the nations) .....	328.11	Otto, the knight; and other stories. French, A.....	1012.7
Morley, H. and Tyler, M. C. Manual of English literature.....	1322.2	Our Italy. [So. California.] Warner, C. D.....	421.18
Morris, C. King Arthur and the knights of the round table.....	1012.26	Our mother tongue. Mead, T. H.....	124.23
Morris, H. S. In the yule-log glow. 4v.	1516.22	Over the tea-cups. Holmes, O. W.....	1527.25
Morris, W. News from nowhere.....	1025.3	Parton, J. Captains of industry.....	1213.17
Murfree, F. N. D. Felicia.....	1012.12	Perry, N. A flock of girls and their friends.....	1213.21
Murray, J. O. Francis Wayland. (American religious leaders) .....	616.1	Pharaohs, fellows and explorers. Edwards, A. B.....	421.19
Murray, J. Smiles, S. A publisher and his friends; memoir, etc. of J. Murray .....	612.7	Phelps, E. S. [Now Mrs. Ward.] Memoir of Austin Phelps.....	516.21
Murvale Eastman, Christian socialist. Tourgee, A. W.....	1013.23	Fourteen to one.....	1012.10
My days and nights on the battle-field. Coffin, C. C.....	827.25	Play days. Jewett, S. O.....	1215.23
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Nanon. Dudevant, A. L. (Geo. Sand.)	1012.18	Power through repose. Call, A. P.....	124.22
Nansen, F. The first crossing of Greenland.....	422.7	Poynter, E. J. and Head, P. R. Classic and Italian painting.....	135.15
Natural history. Kingsley, J. S. Popular natural history.....	133.1	Proctor, E. D. A Russian journey....	417.21
Neesima, J. H. Hardy, A. S. Life and letters of J. H. Neesima.....	528.21	Pueblos. Wallace, S. E. The land of the Pueblos.....	424.14
Negro question, The. Cable, G.....	1527.26	Quite another story. Ingelow, J.....	1017.20
New England nun, A, and other stories. Wilkins, M. E.....	1012.13	Recalled to life. Allen, G.....	1025.5
New senior, The, at Andover. Ward, H. D.....	1213.7	Rhymes of childhood. Riley, J. W..	1213.19
New womanhood, The. Fernald, J. C..	1527.28	Richards, L. E. Captain January....	1213.12
Newhall, C. S. The leaf-collector's hand-book and herbarium.....	133.2	Hildegarde's holiday.....	1213.25
The trees of Northeastern America...	134.1	In my nursery.....	1213.20
Newman, J. H. cardinal. Hutton, R. H. Cardinal Newman.....	616.14	Richardson, C. F. American literature, 1607-1885.....	1322.1
		Rlis, J. How the other half lives.....	1512.18
		Riley, J. W. Rhymes of childhood....	1213.19
		Rob; a story for boys. Lothrop, H. M.	827.26
		Rome. Bryce, J. The holy Roman empire.....	326.13
		Roosevelt, B. Elizabeth of Roumania; with two tales from the German of Carmen Sylva.....	612.3
		Rose and Lavender; by the author of "Miss Toosey's mission".....	1015.26
		Rudder Grangers, The, abroad. Stockton, F. R.....	1012.11



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Russia. Morfill, W. R. Story of Russia.....	328.11	Murvale Eastman, Christian socialist.	1013.23
Proctor, E. D. A Russian journey....	417.21	Towle, G. M. Young people's history of England.....	1213.15
Ryder, A. H. Go right on girls.....	1324.24	Trees of Northeastern America. Newhall, C. H.....	134.1
St. Catherine's by the tower. Besant, W.....	1012.16	Trials of a country parson. Jessop, A.	1513.9
Salter, W. M. Ethical religion.....	1127.7	Trollope, T. A. What I remember. V. 2.....	536.6
Sanborn, K. Adopting an abandoned farm.....	1017.22	Tuttielt, Miss M. G. In the heart of the storm.....	1012.4
Sargent, J. P. comp. Reading for the young.....	Ref.	Twenty years around the world. Vassar, J. G.....	421.17
Science for the young. Abbott, J.....	1212.1	Two modern women. Wells, K. G.....	1017.11
Scotland. Mackintosh, J. Story of Scotland.....	328.9	Two penniless princesses. Yonge, C. M.	1013.24
Scott, Sir W. Journal; from original manuscript. 2v.....	613.12	United States. Fiske, J. Civil government in the U. S.....	134.2
Seas and lands. Arnold, Sir E.....	422.6	The American revolution.....	334.10
Sevier, J. Gilmore, J. R. John Sevier as a commonwealth builder.....	521.10	Johnston, A. The United States; its hist. and const.....	325.10
Sewall, A. Black beauty.....	1012.20	Mac Master, J. B. History of the people of the U. S. V. 3.....	323.6
Shattuck, H. R. Little folks east and west.....	1213.23	Unseen universe, The. Stewart, B. and Tait, P. G.....	135.12
She loved a sailor. Barr, A. E.....	1012.20	Uranie. Flammariion, C.....	1017.12
Sheridan, R. B. Plays.....	1413.12	Ursula. Balzac, H. de.....	1012.24
Sidney, M. pseud. See Lothrop, H. M.		Vassar, J. G. Twenty years around the world.....	421.17
Sister's tragedy, The. Aldrich, T. B.....	1413.11	Venetian life. Howells, W. D.....	424.17
Smiles, S. Memoir of John Murray. 2v.....	612.7	Wallace, S. E. The land of the Pueblos	424.14
Smith, F. H. Colonel Carter of Cartersville.....	1012.9	Ward, H. D. The new senior at Andover.....	1213.7
Smith, G. W. Painting. Spanish and French.....	135.14	Warner, C. D. As we were saying... Our Italy. [So. California.].....	1324.25
Smith, N. A. joint author, See Wiggin, K. D.		Washington, D. C. Todd, C. B. Story of Washington.....	326.11
Spencer, H. The factors of organic evolution.....	135.10	Wayland, F. D. D. Murray, J. O. Francis Wayland.....	616.1
Justice; part four of Principles of ethics.....	134.5	Wells, K. G. Two modern women.....	1017.11
Squire's daughter, The. Lillie, L. C.....	1213.24	Whitby, B. One reason why.....	921.19
Squirrel inn. The. Stockton, F. R.....	1025.2	Whitman, W. Leaves of grass.....	1413.8
Stand fast, Craig-Roystan. Black, W.	1017.21	Wide Awake. Vols. 30-31.....	821.1
Stephens, H. M. Story of Portugal..	334.13	Wiggin, K. D. Timothy's quest.....	1213.11
Stevenson, R. L. Ballads.....	1413.14	Wiggin, K. D. and Smith, N. A. The story hour.....	1213.10
Stewart, B. and Tait, P. G. The unseen universe.....	135.12	Wilkins, M. E. A New England nun	1012.13
Stockton, F. R. The Rudder Grangers abroad.....	1012.11	Window, A. in Thrums. Barrie, J. M.	1012.23
Stockton, F. R. Squirrel inn.....	1025.2	Winsor, J. Christopher Columbus....	612.8
Story hour, The. Wiggin, K. D. and Smith, N. A.....	1213.10	Woman, A. of Shawmut. Carpenter, E. J.....	1025.6
Switzerland. Hug, L. and Stead, R. Switzerland (Story of the nations)..	328.10	Woman's Story, The. Holloway, L. C.	1012.15
There and back. Macdonald, G.....	1012.5	Women of the French Salons.....	611.2
Thurston, R. H. Robert Fulton.....	517.20	Mason, A. G.....	827.24
Timothy's quest. Wiggin, K. D.....	1213.11	Woolsey, S. C. In the high valley....	1017.9
Todd, C. B. Story of Washington, the national capital.....	326.11	Woolson, C. F. Jupiter Lights....	517.18
		World's Workers, The. Alldridge, L.	
		Wright, G. F. Charles Grandison Finney.....	616.8
		Yonge, C. M. Two penniless princesses	1013.24

ANNUAL REPORT  
OF THE  
SCHOOL COMMITTEE  
OF THE  
TOWN OF LINCOLN,  
FOR THE  
SCHOOL-YEAR 1891-92.



## Superintendent's Report.

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*To the School Committee of Lincoln :*

GENTLEMEN :—I have the honor to submit the following as my first report, the same being the second annual report of the Superintendent of Schools under the district system of school supervision.

As I have been in charge of the schools less than half of the school year covered by the statistics following this report, I can neither make a detailed statement of the work done during the year, nor draw a fair comparison between this and previous years' work. That teachers, however, have been faithful and efficient, and have succeeded, to an eminent degree, in imparting instruction to those pupils who have been in regular attendance upon the schools, there is, in my judgment, no question. And now that the new school house, a fine building with modern improvements, has been opened at the South, and the pupils of the East school are transported to the Centre, thus giving to all children the privilege of ample accommodations and good instruction, our schools ought to be in excellent condition. But the attendance is far from satisfactory and is sadly against successful work. Though our schools be never so well appointed, they cannot benefit children who do not attend them. Not only do those who are in irregular attendance lose the benefits that would otherwise result to them, but they break up the classes, prevent systematic work, and thus hinder those who attend regularly.

The total enrollment for the year is 208 with an average attendance of a fraction over 127, and 561 tardinesses—an average attendance of but little more than half the enrollment, and tardinesses more than double the enrollment. And yet the attendance this year compares not unfavorably with that of the preceding. Thus the bad habits of neglect of duty, and being constantly behind time are being fixed upon those who are soon to bear the responsibility of citizenship, and take into their hands the reins of government.

Aristotle said two thousand years ago, that the fate of empires depended upon the education of children. What was true of empires then is doubly true of our country today—a self-governing people, made up of heterogeneous elements from all nationalities. The State recognizes this and has formulated the following law, only a portion of which is quoted :

“ Every person having under his control a child between the ages of eight and fourteen years, shall annually cause such child to attend some public day school in the city or town in which he resides, and such attendance shall continue for at least thirty weeks of the school year, if the schools are kept open that length of time, with an allowance of two weeks' time for absences not excused by the superintendent of schools or the school committee, and for every neglect of such duty the person offending shall, upon complaint of the school committee or any truant officer, forfeit for the use of the public schools of such city or town, a sum not exceeding twenty dollars.”

This law is explicit, and it is not in the authority of school officers to excuse anyone from a strict compliance with its provisions.



Legal force, if judiciously applied in a few cases, might exert a healthy influence on school attendance, and yet it could not bring about the desired result of raising our schools to the high standard they are capable of attaining. This can only be accomplished by the hearty co-operation of parents with teachers and school officers. I, therefore, trust that parents will endeavor, by all means, to have their children in school, not simply enough to comply with the requirements of the law, but during the full session of every term, thus granting them the full privilege of a public education, which is their birthright.

### THE EAST SCHOOL.

Owing to the small, and decreasing number of pupils in the East School, it has been decided to close that school and transport the pupils to the Centre. This plan embraces both wisdom and economy. Economy, because it costs but four dollars and a half per week to transport the pupils—one-half the cost of employing a teacher, to say nothing of the added expense of keeping in repair, and caring for, the East school house, and furnishing it with maps, reference books, etc.

Wisdom, because the pupils now have the advantage of a graded school, hence better instructions and better appliances. The people in the East, instead of having their school taken away, have, virtually, a graded school brought to their very doors; thus enjoying equal school advantages with those living in the immediate vicinity of the Centre.

### TEACHERS.

The instruction during the year has been greatly interrupted by changes and sickness among the teachers.

Mr. J. C. Knowlton, Principal of the High School during the first two terms of the year, was succeeded in the fall term by Mr. C. C. Davis, who, on account of severe illness, was compelled, early in the term, to give up his work temporarily. Mr. Geo. K. Small was employed as a substitute, and for six weeks did successful and efficient work, but resigned to accept a \$1,200 position. He was followed by Mr. H. A. Roberts, who finished the term.

Miss Carrie B. Chapin has continued in the Centre school during the year. Miss Ella L. Bates was employed at the beginning of the fall term to teach the primary grade at the Centre and assist in the High School. Thus a needed addition has been made to the teaching force in the Centre schools. The East school has been taught by Miss Lillian M. Hoar; the North, by Miss Florence M. Sherman.

The Winter term of the South Grammar school was taught by Miss Edith A. Andrews, the Spring term by Miss Nellie J. Wentworth. Miss Louise E. Dunsmoor began the Fall term, but resigned at the end of two weeks to accept a larger salary. Her place was filled by Miss Harriette F. Sawin. There have been four teachers in this school during the year. It is needless to say that such frequent changes are disastrous to successful work.

Miss Lizzie A. Webster taught the South Primary school during the winter term. Miss Nellie B. Hooper taught the following two terms.

I trust the changes in the teaching force will be much less the coming year, and believe the results will be proportionately more satisfactory.

## COURSE OF STUDY.

For the teacher to succeed in securing the best results she must learn definitely what is expected to be taught and understand clearly how to teach it. I have, therefore, outlined a course of study which has been submitted to, and approved by the Committee. I have given quite specific directions to teachers, thus making the course appear perhaps more elaborate than it is. But I am sure that it embraces no more ground than can be covered thoroughly and well in schools as well graded as ours are at present.

I desire to direct attention to some of the subjects in the course.

## READING.

The reading constitutes a connected course, with the Davis Readers as a drill series, and the Normal Readers, to give supplementary reading on plants, animals, insects, etc., and leads up in the last year of the grammar grade to "Masterpieces of American Literature," thus laying a foundation for the study of American and English literature in the High School; while the "Story of Our Continent" and "Star-land" supplement the physical and astronomical geography of the text-books, and lead easily to elementary work in geology and astronomy in the High School.

Thus it will be seen that, while the reading course aims to make the pupil a good reader, it has also a definite purpose at the end, furnishes a valuable fund of information, and cultivates a taste for good reading. When this course is carried out, I believe something of the idea of Dr. McAllister may be realized, who says: "More can be got out of it that tends to cultivate the minds of the pupils than any other in the course. It

has a moral power, a refining power, and an elevating influence that can be found nowhere else."

#### NATURE STUDY.

It is not the object of this part of the course to make scientists of the pupils, but to open their eyes to the beauties and wonders about them; to teach them, not so much what is to be found between the covers of text-books, as to read the great book of Nature that lies open everywhere before them; and as another has said, "To give pupils who are walking through the ordinary school curriculum by faith, some opportunity to walk by sight; to give them some opportunity to get information at first-hand, while they are compelled to get so much at second-hand."

This part of the course is not original with me, but has been taken from that used in the Andover schools, with slight changes; and in evidence that such a course is not impracticable I quote from the school report of that town the following: "It has been proved that a knowledge of botany, mineralogy, and zoölogy can be successfully taught in the elementary school."

#### DRAWING.

Drawing is required by law in the public schools. It has been made one of the regular subjects in the course of study. The Prang System will be introduced and so arranged that there will be regular, progressive, work for pupils in every year in school, thus training the taste and the hand as well as the eye.

#### FLAGS ON SCHOOL BUILDINGS.

The beautiful idea of raising the Stars and Stripes on our schools is both wise and patriotic, and may be made



an impressive object lesson in history. To this end I would suggest that flags be placed on all the school buildings, and that they be raised on the following days, and that the pupils' attention be always called to the event commemorated. This will not prevent the flag being raised on other days at the option of the teacher:

Oct. 12, 1492, Columbus landed at San Salvador.

Oct. 17, 1777, Battle of Saratoga.

Nov. ——— National and State elections.

Nov. ——— Thanksgiving Day.

Nov. 25, 1783, New York evacuated by British.

Dec. 16, 1773, Boston Tea Party.

Dec. 26, 1776, Battle of Trenton.

Jan. 1, 1863, Emancipation Proclamation.

Jan. 3, 1777, Battle of Princeton.

Feb. 12, 1809, Lincoln's Birthday.

Feb. 22, 1732, Washington's Birthday.

March 9, 1862, Monitor defeated Merrimac.

April 9, 1865, Lee Surrendered.

April 19, 1775, Battle of Concord.

April 30, 1789, Washington took office.

May 30, ——— Memorial Day.

June 14, 1777, Flag of Stars and Stripes adopted by Congress.

June 17, 1775, Battle of Bunker Hill.

July 4, 1776, Declaration of Independence.

#### REFERENCE BOOKS.

One of the most essential lessons to teach pupils is to get information for themselves by consulting reference books. This, of course, cannot be done unless



reference books are at hand. They are especially necessary in high school work. I would suggest that no more profitable investment can be made than to purchase a good cyclopedia for the school building at the Centre. They would be valuable alike to the pupils in both schools, and to the teachers.

### THE HIGH SCHOOL LABORATORY.

The means of experimental work in connection with the High School studies are wholly inadequate to a proper knowledge of the subjects to be taught. In fact the sciences cannot be successfully taught without individual experiments on the part of the pupils.

I have made some examination of the recitation room adjacent to the High School room, and am satisfied that arrangements could be made there for a dozen pupils to perform individual experiments with water bowls for each, and convenient table room, at nominal expense.

This is a much needed change, and I trust the matter will receive early attention.

This room, however, to be used for this purpose, or for any school purpose, ought not to be, at the same time, a store room for school supplies. It disturbs the school work going on in this, and the High School room, to take out supplies for other schools; the supplies cannot be taken proper care of here, crowded as they must be to be placed in this room at all; and it is impossible to keep them in anything like order, thus rendering it difficult to find what is wanted at any time, or to determine how much of a supply of different materials is on hand. This ought also to receive early attention.

## CONCLUSION.

Considering the present condition of our schools, if the changes mentioned can be effected, I believe we may expect to see a marked improvement in school work during the coming year. I wish to ask the co-operation of the parents with teachers in striving to make our school what we would like to have them—as good as the best.

I wish to express my high appreciation of the earnest efforts and hearty good will with which the teachers have co-operated with me in my work. And to you, gentlemen, I desire to give expression to my thanks for your confidence, and for the courteous consideration you have accorded to my suggestions.

Respectfully submitted,

LEWIS T. McKENNEY,  
*Superintendent of Schools.*

## STATISTICS.

Number of children in town between five and fifteen years of age, Aug. 1, 1891,	. 160
Number of different children enrolled in the public schools, . . . . .	185
Total enrollment, . . . . .	208
Number of children enrolled over fifteen, .	21
Number of children enrolled under five, .	none
Number of children in town between eight and fourteen, . . . . .	100

At a meeting of the School Committee, held Feb. 12, the report of the Superintendent was accepted and adopted as the report of the Committee.

GEORGE FLINT,	} <i>School</i>
JAMES H. FARRAR,	
CHARLES S. WHEELER,	

*Committee.*

## SCHOOL STATISTICS.

SCHOOL.	Term.	Whole No. of different Pupls.	Average Membership.	Average Daily Attendance.	Per ct. of Daily Attendance.	Tardinesses.	Visits of Committee.	Visits of Superintendent.	Visits of Citizens.
High, . . . . .	1st,	26	20.65	17.45	84.50	7	*	-	-
	2d,	38	27.43	26.04	95	3	-	-	-
	3d,	33	30.09	27.86	92.59	11	-	-	-
Centre, . . . . .	1st,	26	24.67	21.33	86.50	15	1	5	6
	2d,	26	20.67	19	91.92	3	-	4	1
	3d,	46	34.25	31.25	91.53	10	-	7	5
South Grammar, . . . . .	1st,	29	26.20	22.37	85.38	19	3	4	13
	2d,	20	15.37	12.27	79.18	23	2	3	9
	3d,	26	21.83	19	87.72	88	2	5	15
South Primary, . . . . .	1st,	39	31.48	27.26	86.60	21	5	5	13
	2d,	28	22.72	20.80	91.55	28	2	5	24
	3d,	39	33.25	31.15	93.50	64	3	6	19
North, . . . . .	1st,	26	21.25	18.28	86	48	4	4	14
	2d,	22	17.33	15.34	88.31	18	1	4	13
	3d,	26	20.18	17.86	88.50	12	-	6	9
East, . . . . .	1st,	21	16.03	14.48	90.33	47	3	5	8
	2d,	16	10.57	9.70	91.77	44	1	3	1
AVERAGES FOR THE YEAR.									
SCHOOL.	Whole No. Enrolled.								
High, . . . . .	38	26	26.06	23.78	90.70	21	-	-	-
Centre, . . . . .	46	40	26.53	29.89	89.98	28	1	17	12
South Grammar, . . . . .	34	29	27.80	17.88	84.91	130	7	12	37
South Primary, . . . . .	40	40	29.15	26.40	90.55	113	10	16	56
North, . . . . .	29	29	19.59	17.16	87.60	78	5	14	36
East, . . . . .	21	21	13.30	12.09	91.05	91	4	8	9
Total, . . . . .	208	185	146.53	127.20	89.13	561	27	67	150

\* Visits to High School were not recorded in Register.





## COURSE OF STUDY.

### FIRST YEAR.

**READING.** — First five months teach words on pp. xvi. and xvii. in the Davis Beginners' Reading Book, Teachers' Edition, and follow the instructions in that book.

In middle of year begin phonic drill. *Position*, — Body erect, book in left hand at height to see easily. *This is to be carefully followed throughout the course.*

**SPELLING.** — Teach spelling from words on board.

**WRITING.** — Insist on correct position and the proper manner of holding the pen (pencil). Make "movement exercises" a special feature.

Observe these directions from the first, and continue throughout the course.

Letters and short words to be written on ruled slates from copy on board.

Leave margin at left in proportion to size of paper; no margin at right. Indent for paragraph, twice width of margin.

*Letters.* — Practise on i, u, n, m, leaf.

**LANGUAGE.** — Teach to talk about objects used in nature studies, as, plants, leaves, fruit, flowers, etc. For "busy work" write the names of these and short sentences about them, giving their color, form, etc.; also days of the week, names of the months, etc.

Use Mrs. Knox to p. xxxiii.

Teach memory gems throughout the course, and see that they are *real gems*, worth storing in the child's mind for future use.

**GEOGRAPHY.** — Cardinal and semi-cardinal points. Color, size, etc.

Use Nichols's Topics in Geography. Grade I.

**ARITHMETIC.** — *Number.* Teach number to ten with objects; add, subtract, multiply, divide. Tables, 2s, 3s, 4s, 5s.

*Signs.* — Teach the use of signs  $+$ ,  $-$ ,  $\times$ ,  $\div$ ,  $=$ . Count to 100.

*Parts of Numbers.* — Teach  $\frac{1}{2}$ ,  $\frac{1}{3}$ ,  $\frac{1}{4}$ , using objects.

*Money.* Teach to use one-cent, two-cent, five-cent, and ten-cent peices, using toy money.

*DRAWING.* — Prang's "Form Study and Drawing in Primary Schools," with models. Clay modelling.

*MUSIC.* — The Normal Music Chart.

*PHYSIOLOGY.* — Oral instruction, including lessons in the use and effects of narcotics, two talks weekly.

*NATURE STUDY.* — Plants, two talks weekly.

*PHYSICAL EXERCISES.* — Swedish gymnastics, five to ten minutes each half day.

*Pure air.* Promptness, order, exactness in all movements.

*Observe these instructions throughout the course.*

## SECOND YEAR.

*READING.* — Use First and Second Readers. Give special attention to distinct utterance and an easy and natural expression. Teach names of punctuation marks as they occur in the reader.

Follow directions in Davis's Second Reader, page 89. Continue phonic drill.

*SPELLING.* — Observe directions in Davis First Reader, p. xxvi.

*WRITING.* — Continue writing same as in previous year on ruled slates.

*Letters.* First term, v, w, o, c, e, E. Second term, r, s, a, d, t, p, C. Third term, l, b, h, k, D.

*LANGUAGE.* — Review. Continue Mrs. Knox, to page xxxv.

Write short sentences about plants and other objects studied. Make every lesson a language lesson by requiring of pupils complete, accurate statements.

Use full-page illustrations in Davis's Second Reader for oral language lessons, as suggested on page 89 of that book.

*GEOGRAPHY.* — Review. Teach position; tints, and shades of color. Teach elastic, fragrant, opaque, transparent, porous, fluid, solid. Nichols's Topics, Grade II.

*ARITHMETIC.* — Review and advance to 50. Tie sticks in bundles to represent 10. Teach Roman numerals to 50. Tables 5s, 6s, 7s, 8s, and drill upon different combinations.

*Parts of Numbers.* — Teach  $\frac{1}{2}$ ,  $\frac{1}{4}$ ,  $\frac{1}{8}$ ,  $\frac{1}{3}$ ,  $\frac{1}{6}$ ,  $\frac{1}{9}$ ,  $\frac{1}{5}$ ,  $\frac{1}{10}$ , of numbers to 50.

*Compound Numbers.* — Teach pt., qt.; qt., pk., bush.; in., ft., yd. Apply combinations.

*Business Arithmetic.* — Extend use of coins to 50 cents.

*DRAWING.* — Previous year's work continued.

*MUSIC.* — The Normal Chart and easy songs.

*PHYSIOLOGY.* — Oral instruction continued.

*NATURE STUDY.* — Plants, two lessons weekly.

*PHYSICAL EXERCISES.* — Swedish gymnastics.

### THIRD YEAR.

*READING.* — Use Second and Third Readers. Continue phonic drill. Give much attention to vocal expression at every step in the work. Explain abbreviations and contractions. Write difficult words on the board, and have their meaning, spelling, and pronunciation thoroughly learned.

*SPELLING.* — Teach spelling from reading lesson, as in previous years.

*WRITING.* — First term: g, q, j, y, z, A, N. Second term: M, T, F, I, and review small letters. Third term: J, S, K, L, H, P. Write on ruled slate from copy on board.

*LANGUAGE.* — Mrs. Knox, pages xxxvi to 30. Write short sentences about plants and objects observed and studied. Continue oral language exercises from the Davis Second Reader, and last part of year require first oral, then written descriptions of full-page illustration in the Davis Third Reader: also oral and written descriptions of what can be seen from school windows. Mrs. Knox, page 269.

*GEOGRAPHY.* — Review previous work. Draw map of your town, its industries, institutions, etc. Nichols's Topics to the "Earth," page 10.

*ARITHMETIC.* — Number works from 50 to 100, and from 100 to 1,000. Subtract with one figure in subtrahend larger than in minuend, as (25—19). Tables 9s, 10s, 11s, 12s.

Teach rotation and numeration to 1,000,000. Practice rapid column addition. Teach \$; and cts., two places.

*Parts of Numbers.*—Teach  $\frac{1}{12}$ ,  $\frac{1}{20}$  compare  $\frac{1}{3}$ ,  $\frac{1}{6}$ ,  $\frac{1}{9}$ ,  $\frac{1}{12}$ , etc.

*Compound Numbers.*—Teach to tell time, day, month, year, second, minute, hour. Teach oz., lb.

Buy and sell, making change by *adding*.

**DRAWING.**—Previous year's work continued.

**MUSIC.**—Normal music chart, easy songs.

**PHYSIOLOGY.**—Continue same as previous year.

**NATURE STUDY.**—Plants, two lessons weekly.

**PHYSICAL EXERCISES.**—Continue same as last year.

#### FOURTH YEAR.

**READING.**—Davis's Third Reader, and King's Geographical Reader. First book. Supplementary reading.

Observe same directions as in previous year in both reading and spelling.

**WRITING.**—Normal Review System. Write every day ten to twenty minutes, using ink.

Give special attention to position, manner of holding pen, and easy movements. Follow same directions through rest of course.

**LANGUAGE.**—Mrs. Knox, pp. 30-103; also pp. 264-269.

Easy punctuation, unbroken and broken quotations. Write from pictures; make much use of plant study and geography in both oral and written language work. Write from dictation. *Accept only the pupil's best work.*

**GEOGRAPHY.**—Use book. Review Nichols's Topics to Grade IV., p. 19. Use "Geographical Reader."

**ARITHMETIC.**—

*Whole Numbers.*—Add, subtract, multiply, divide.

*Fractions.*—Easy examples in addition, subtraction, multiplication, division.

*Compound Numbers.*—Tables of liquid, dry, long, avoirdupoise, troy, and time; give simple problems.

*Mensuration.*—Begin by measuring lengths.

*Business Arithmetic.*—Make receipted bills.

**DRAWING.**—Prang's "Shorter Course in Form Study and Drawing," No. 1.

**MUSIC.**—Normal Music Chart, with songs.



PHYSIOLOGY. — Books in hands of pupils.

NATURE STUDY. — Plants, two lessons weekly.

PHYSICAL EXERCISES. — Continue with progressive work as last year.

## FIFTH YEAR.

READING. — Third Readers, and Geographical Reader. Teach all historical and geographical references.

SPELLING. — Harper's Speller. Oral and written spelling.

WRITING. — Normal Review System.

LANGUAGE. — Teach words that express quality, and words that express action. Mrs. Knox, pp. 103-166. Teach letter writing, Mrs. Knox, pp. 201-254. Write from dictation. Picture writing. Write about animals, objects and plants studied, and places visited; also write from studies in geography.

GEOGRAPHY. — Nichols's Topics, pp. 19-45. Give special attention to "Language and Object Lessons," in Nichols's Topics, in all grades.

ARITHMETIC. — Practice in mental work. Greatest Common Divisor, least Common Multiple, Cancellation.

*Common Fractions.* — Complete.

*Decimal Rotation.* — Continue.

*Compound Numbers.* — Complete.

*Mensuration.* — Simple work in area of surfaces and contents of solids.

*Business Arithmetic.* — Continue bills. Make bills with both debit and credit items.

Teach 25, 50,  $33\frac{1}{3}$ ,  $66\frac{2}{3}$ , 75, and 100 per cent., as  $= \frac{1}{4}, \frac{1}{2}, \frac{1}{3}$ , etc.

DRAWING. — Prang's "Shorter Courses in Form Study and Drawing," No. 2.

MUSIC. — Normal Music Chart, Songs, etc.

PHYSIOLOGY. — Extend work of preceding year with review. Two lessons weekly.

NATURE STUDY. — Plants. Two lessons weekly.

PHYSICAL EXERCISES. — Continue as last year.



## SIXTH YEAR.

READING.—Fourth Reader. Observe same instructions as last year; also “Suggestions for Training the Voice,” Davis’s Fourth Reader, pp. xv–xxiv, and “Suggestions to Teachers” in the Normal Third and Fourth Readers.

SPELLING.—Oral and written.

WRITING.—Normal Review System.

LANGUAGE.—Mary F. Hyde’s “Practical Lessons in the use of English,” First Book, or first three sections in Swinton’s Language Lessons.

GEOGRAPHY.—Large book. Nichols’s Topics, Grade V. pp. 45–76.

ARITHMETIC.—Frequent practice in fundamental operations. Review previous work by giving problems in Fractions, Compound Numbers, etc.

*Mensuration*.—Area of triangles and circles.

*Business Arithmetic*.—Simple work in Percentage, in finding per cent.

DRAWING.—Prang’s Shorter Course, No. 3.

MUSIC.—Continue work of last year.

PHYSIOLOGY.—Continue work of last year.

NATURE STUDY.—Plants, two lessons weekly.

PHYSICAL EXERCISES.—Continue as last year.

## SEVENTH YEAR.

READING.—Davis’s Fourth Reader and Normal Fifth Reader; also Shaler’s “Story of Our Continent,” “Washington and His Country,” and “Pilgrims and Puritans.”

Give some attention to authors.

Teach meaning of difficult words, expressions, and all references.

Observe suggestions in “Reading Aloud” in Fifth Reader of the Normal series, page 473.

SPELLING.—Oral and written.

WRITING.—Normal Review System.

LANGUAGE.—Last three sections of Swinton’s Language Lessons, or equivalent.

Teach the pupils to consult the dictionary, and thus accustom them to use books of reference.

Require frequent composition writing during this and the following year, also select readings and recitations from good authors, with some knowledge of the author.

GEOGRAPHY.—Nichols's Topics, Grade VI., pp. 76-111.

HISTORY.—Teach United States history from topics making much use of the historical reading.

ARITHMETIC.—As far as simple interest.

DRAWING.—Prang's Shorter Course, No. 4.

MUSIC.

PHYSIOLOGY.—Continued.

ELEMENTARY SCIENCE.—Plants and minerals, two lessons weekly.

In the study of minerals use Clapp's "Thirty-six Observation Lessons on Common Minerals," with specimens.

PHYSICAL EXERCISES.—Continued as last year.

## EIGHTH YEAR.

READING.—"Masterpieces of American Literature." Observe same direction as in previous year. Study authors, Read "Starland" to supplement geography. Other supplementary reading.

SPELLING.—Oral and written.

WRITING.—Normal Review System.

LANGUAGE.—Higher Grammar. Composition and recitation work, same as last year.

HISTORY.—Continue study of United States history from topics, books in the hands of pupils. Look up all historical references in reading.

ARITHMETIC.—Complete large book.

DRAWING.—Prang's Shorter Course, No 5.

MUSIC.—Continued.

PHYSIOLOGY.—Continue, two lessons weekly.

ELEMENTARY SCIENCE.—Plants and minerals, two lessons weekly.

PHYSICAL EXERCISES.—Continue same as last year.

## COURSE OF OBSERVATION LESSONS IN PLANT STUDY.

This course in Plant Study involves an examination of about ninety plants of our local flora.

The observation work outlined below, is to be supplemented by a reading course, consisting of Normal Readers, Nos. 3 and 4 (such parts as treat of plant life) referred to in the regular course of reading; Seaside and Wayside Series, No. 3, Part I; Reader in Botany by Miss Newell, and "Little Flower People," by Miss Hale.

Keep a record in each grade of:

1. Month and day on which specimen was examined.
2. Where found—whether in places wet or dry, high or low ground;—with evergreen trees or others (deciduous); on land or in water; exact location determined by name of owner of land, or anything else that will be definite enough.

### FIRST YEAR.

#### SPRING TERM.

##### *Growfoot Family.*

1. Hepatica; old leaves with flowers, new leaves.
2. Anemone (Nemorosa).
3. Buttercup.
4. Marsh Marigold.
5. Wild Columbine.

Teacher should have all these growing in the school-room.

Teach with every specimen in this grade the following parts of the plant so far as they are found; root, stem, branch, leaf, flower, sepal, petal, stamen, pistil; call attention to the color of parts; count the sepals, petals, etc.; point out family resemblances, and teach that plants, as well as people, have families. Thus teach likenesses and differences, and the method of classification. Press good specimens of each entire plant for review, and study during the coming winter. Have these pressed specimens show fruit as well as flower, when possible.

## SECOND YEAR.

## FALL TERM.

Leaves.	{	Parts.	{ Blade.
			{ Petiole.
			{ Stipule.
		Framework.	{ Veinlets.
			{ Veins.
			{ Ribs.
			{ Midrib.
		Parts of Grass-leaf.	{ Blade.
			{ Sheath.
			{ Ligule.
		Venation.	{ Net-veined.
			{ Parallel-veined.
		Margin.	{ Entire.
			{ Serrate.

Press specimens of leaves.

## WINTER TERM.

Review from pressed specimens of leaves and flowers.

Use Miss Youman's "First Book in Botany." Consult "Little Flower People."

## SPRING TERM.

Review from fresh specimens previous work.

1. Meadow Rue.
2. Common Barberry. Have children observe the irritability of the stamens and the sensitiveness of the flower.
3. May Apple.
4. Pond Lily (*Nympeæa Odorata*).
5. Pitcher plant.

Anther, stigma style, ovary, pollen.

When children bring in specimens not mentioned, help them to find the name and the family to which they belong. Let them record them, and encourage them in every way whenever they do extra work of their own accord.

*Teach nothing without the specimen.*

## THIRD YEAR.

## FALL TERM.

Leaves.	Margin	Serrate.	{	Coarsely serrate.
		Lobed.		Finely serrate.
		Entire.		
	Base	Heart-shaped.	{	
		Kidney-shaped.		
		Clasping.		
	Apex.	Acute.	{	
		Obtuse.		

Use Miss Youman's First Book.

## WINTER TERM.

Continue the work as in previous year from pressed specimens.

## SPRING TERM.

1. Lady's Slipper.
2. Blue-eyed Grass.
3. Blue Flag.
4. Three-leaved Nightshade.
5. Solomon's Seal.

Exogenous plants. { Stems (bark, wood, pith).  
 { Number of parts of flower (fives or fours).  
 { Veining of leaves (netted veined).

Endogenous plants. { Stems (no division of bark, wood and pith).  
 { Number of parts of flower (usually in threes).  
 { Veining of leaves (parallel veined).

Flower: Review all terms previously learned; add calyx and corolla.



## FOURTH YEAR.

## FALL TERM.

Leaves.	Petiole.	{	Round.
		{	Roundish.
	Surface.	{	Half-round.
		{	Long.
		{	Short.
		{	Limber.
		{	Stiff.
		{	Hairy, glabrous.
		{	Smooth, rough.
		{	Shiny, dull.
	Color.	{	Light green, dark green.
		{	Upper surface, one color; under, another.
		{	Spotted, striped, brownish, reddish.
	Leaf construction.	{	Simple.
		{	Compound.

Miss Youman's "First Book," page 46.

## WINTER TERM.

Review from pressed specimens, both flowers and leaves.

## SPRING TERM.

1. Sweet White Violet.
2. Common Blue Violet.
3. Bird Foot Violet.
4. Yellow Violet.
5. Early Saxifrage.
6. Silvery Cinquefoil.
7. Boxberry (*Mitchella Repens*).
8. Skunk Cabbage.
9. Indian Turnip, some with green spathes, and some with variegated.

The teacher should have growing specimens of these plants in the school-room.



Varieties of Inflorescence.	{	Head.
		Spike.
	{	Spadix.
		Cyme.
	{	Raceme.
		Umbel.
Flowers.	{	Pistil.
		{ Stigma.
		{ Style.
	{	Ovary   Catpel.
		{ Anther.
		{ Filament.
		{ Pollen.
	{	Corolla   Petal.
		{ Calyx   Sepal.
	{	Receptacle.

Miss Youman's "First Book," pp. 90-106.

## SIXTH YEAR.

### FALL TERM.

Roots.	{	Tap Root.	{	Conical.
		{		Spindle-shaped (fusiform).
				Turnip-shaped (napiform).
	Fibrous Roots.			
	{	Underground Stems that might be mistaken for roots.	{	Tubers.
			Bulbs.	
			Corms.	
			Rhizoma.	

For supplementary reading, "Seaside and Wayside," No. 3, Part I.

Begin here to draw representations of the simple plants, and continue through rest of course, keeping illustrations in record books.

Use the material learned for composition work and spelling lessons.

### WINTER TERM.

Review from pressed specimens.

## SPRING TERM.

1. Pea.
2. Painted cup.
3. Avens.
4. Arethusa.
5. Fringed Polygala.
6. Mountain Laurel.
7. Mayflower (arbutus).
8. Strawberry (wild).
9. Blackberry. { high.  
                  { low.
10. Raspberry. { red.  
                  { black (thimbleberries).
11. Cranberry.
12. Blueberry. { high.  
                  { low.
13. Whortleberry.
14. Bloodroot.

The seed. Miss Youman's "First Book," Chap. VI. Supplementary reading, "Normal Fourth Reader" (part relating to plants).

## SEVENTH YEAR.

## FALL TERM.

Fringed Gentian (Bryant's Poem).

Leaves.	{	Stem leaves.	{	Alternate.
		Radical leaves.		
		Arrangement on stems.		
Stem Shapes.	{	Sessil.	{	Opposite.
		Stipulate.		
		Petiolate.		
		Ex-stipulate.		
		Rounded.		
		Compressed.		
		Half-round.		
		Fluted.		
		Acute-angled.		
		Triangular.		
	{	Square.	{	Whorled.
		Five-sided.		

## WINTER TERM.

Review as previously.

## SPRING TERM.

*Compositae.*

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|-----------------------|------------------|
| 1. Dandelion.         | 9. Boneset.      |
| 2. Daisy.             | 10. Golden Rod.  |
| 3. Thistle.           | 11. Everlasting. |
| 4. Marigold.          | 12. Wormwood.    |
| 5. Aster.             | 13. Tansy.       |
| 6. Burdock.           | 14. Yarrow.      |
| 7. Mayweed.           | 15. Feverfew.    |
| 8. Bachelor's Button. | 16. Lupine.      |

The above list includes plants for part of fall term.

Begin to require the scientific names of plants this year.

Miss Youman's "Second Book," Chap. VII.

## EIGHTH YEAR.

Trees.	{	{	Elm.	{	Flowers imperfect.
			Maple   varieties.		
			Ash   varieties.		
			Linden.		
			Hickory   varieties.		
			Oak   varieties.		
			Chestnut.		
			Willow.		
			Horse-chestnut.		
			Locust.		
			Buttonwood, etc., as time permits.		
			Pine   varieties.		Flowers with open (gymnospermous) pis- tils.
			Spruce   varieties.		
			Hemlock.		
			Cedar   varieties.		
			Larch.		

Supplementary reading: "A Reader in Botany," Newell, "Little Flower People," Hale, first four chapters.

Teachers in this and preceding years consult "Outlines of Lessons in Botany," Newell — here especially, "Buds and Branches;" Newhall's "Trees of Northeastern America" is an excellent book for this year; Miss Youman's "Second Book," Chapter XI; Gray's Manual.









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# TOWN OFFICERS FOR 1892-93.

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## *Town Clerk.*

JAMES L. CHAPIN.

## *Selectmen and Overseers of the Poor.*

SAMUEL HARTWELL,

JOHN F. FARRAR.

LORENZO E. BROOKS,

## *Assessors.*

OGDEN CODMAN,

WALLACE M. BROOKS.

CHARLES S. SMITH,

## *Treasurer and Collector of Taxes.*

CHARLES S. WHEELER.

## *Auditor.*

WILLIAM L. G. PEIRCE.

## *Constables.*

LORENZO E. BROOKS,

JAMES H. FARRAR.

CHARLES S. WHEELER,

## *School Committee.*

CHARLES S. WHEELER, . . . . . Term expires 1893.

GEORGE FLINT, . . . . . " " 1894.

OGDEN CODMAN, . . . . . " " 1895.

## *School Superintendent.*

L. T. MCKENNEY.

## *Water Commissioners.*

GEORGE L. CHAPIN, . . . . . Term expires 1893.

ARTHUR W. KIDDER, . . . . . " " 1894.

LEONARD W. WESTON, . . . . . " " 1895.

SAMUEL HARTWELL, Chairman of Selectmen, *ex-officio*.

CHARLES S. WHEELER, Town Treasurer, *ex-officio*.

## *Field Drivers.*

GEORGE L. CHAPIN,

SAMUEL FARRAR.

LORENZO E. BROOKS,

## *Fence Viewers.*

JAMES E. BAKER,

ALBERT WASHBURN.

## *Surveyors of Lumber.*

N. F. COUSINS,

EDWARD R. FARRAR.

GEORGE F. HARRINGTON,

*Measurers of Wood and Bark.*

JAMES H. FARRAR,	JAMES L. CHAPIN,
EDWARD R. FARRAR,	WALTER F. BAKER.
LORENZO E. BROOKS.	

*Commissioners of Sinking and Trust Funds.*

WARREN K. BLODGETT,	. . .	Term expires 1893.
LEONARD W. WESTON,	. . .	" " 1894.
GEORGE ROPES,	. . .	" " 1895.

*Cemetery Committee.*

EDWARD C. FOSTER,	. . .	Term expires 1893.
JAMES L. CHAPIN,	. . .	" " 1894.
CHARLES S. SMITH,	. . .	" " 1895.
JOHN TASKER,	. . .	" " 1896.
HENRY C. CHAPIN, M. D.,	. . .	" " 1897.

*Trustees of Lincoln Public Library.*

GEORGE G. TARBELL, M. D., President.

SAMUEL H. PIERCE,	JOHN F. FARRAR.
SAMUEL HARTWELL, Chairman of Selectmen, <i>ex-officio</i> .	
GEORGE FLINT, Chairman of School Committee, <i>ex-officio</i> .	

*Trustees for Bemis Fund for Free Public Lectures.*

GEORGE FLINT,	GEORGE ROPES,
WARREN K. BLODGETT.	

*Trustees of Grammar School Fund.*

CHARLES S. WHEELER,	EDWARD C. FOSTER,
HERBERT E. BARNES.	

*Sexton.*

EDA B. BARNES.

**APPOINTED BY SELECTMEN:***Superintendent of Streets.*

DANIEL H. SHERMAN.

*Sealer of Weights and Measures.*

JAMES L. CHAPIN.

*Fire Warden of Forest Fires.*

CLARENCE A. BROOKS.

*Janitor of Town House.*

GEORGE L. CHAPIN.

*Inspector of Provisions and Animals.*

JOHN F. FARRAR.

# WARRANT.

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## COMMONWEALTH OF MASSACHUSETTS.

MIDDLESEX, SS.

*To Lorenzo E. Brooks, or either of the Constables of  
the Town of Lincoln, in said County, GREETING :*

In the name of the Commonwealth of Massachusetts, you are hereby required to notify and warn the Inhabitants of the Town of Lincoln, duly qualified to vote in town affairs, to assemble at the Town Hall, on Monday, March sixth, next, at one o'clock, P. M., to act on the following articles, viz :

ARTICLE 1. To choose a Moderator to preside at said meeting.

ART. 2. To hear reports of Town Officers, and Committees, and Commissioners, and Trustees, and enact anything in relation to said reports the Town shall think proper.

ART. 3. To choose all necessary Town Officers, Committees, Commissioners and Trustees.

ART. 4. To consider the Jury List as prepared by the Selectmen for revision and acceptance, and enact anything in relation thereto.

ART. 5. To determine the manner of repairing the Highways and Bridges of the Town the ensuing year.



ART. 6. To appropriate money for all necessary purposes of the town, including the Sinking Fund, Village Improvements, publishing the proceedings at the Dedication of the new Town House, and enact anything in relation thereto.

ART. 7. To give in their votes by ballot in answer to the question: "Shall licenses be granted for the sale of intoxicating liquors in this Town?"

The check list shall be used, as provided by Section 5, Chapter 100 of the Public Statutes.

ART. 8. To determine the manner of collecting taxes, also the Compensation of the Collector for the ensuing year; and to see if the Town will authorize the Collector to use all means of collecting taxes which a Town Treasurer, when appointed collector may use.

ART. 9. To see if the Town will authorize their Treasurer, under the direction of the Selectmen, to borrow money in anticipation of taxes, if necessary.

ART. 10. To see if the Town will continue its vote as heretofore, in relation to the use of a Hearse.

ART. 11. To see if the Town will reimburse the persons or parties who have paid the expense of laying water pipes in the street from opposite J. L. Chapins' store to the new house of Mr. George Flint.

ART. 12. To see if the Town will make any change in the price for rent of either of its Halls, or take any other action in relation to the matter.

ART. 13. To see if the Town will purchase suitable Hose to connect with water Hydrants for use in case of fire on line of Water Works.

ART. 14. To see if the Town will fix a price by the hour, or by the day, to pay for public work in this town the ensuing year.

ART. 15. To see if the town will authorize the purchase of a crayon or oil portrait of the late George F. Bemis for the purpose of placing the same in Bemis Hall.

ART. 16. To see if the Town will build or cause to be built by contract or otherwise the road as laid out by the County Commissioners, around Peirce's Hill, so called, to appropriate three thousand dollars therefor, and to authorize the Treasurer to borrow the same.

ART. 17. To see if the Town will erect lamps, to light road from the Town Hall to the watering trough, near the Public Library.

ART. 18. To see if the Town will extend the water works from the watering trough at the house of Mr. C. P. Farnsworth, and if so to determine the distance and location, and grant money therefor.

ART. 19. To see if the Town will accept a proposition if it should be made, for a sidewalk from the stone watering trough to the grounds of the South School house, and build the same.

ART. 20. To see if the town will authorize the Selectmen to provide a drop scene for Bemis' Hall and vote money for the same.

ART. 21. To see if the town will provide chemical fire apparatus or take any action in relation to the matter.

ART. 22. To see if the Town will cause the Receiving Tomb to be removed to the new cemetery, or take any action in the matter.

ART. 23. To see if the Town will employ a music teacher and have music taught in the schools and raise money for the same.

And you are directed to serve this Warrant by posting an attested copy thereof at each of the Post Offices and the Railroad Station and in the vestibule of the Meeting House of the First Parish and at the School Houses, eight days before the time of meeting, and making seasonable return hereof, with your doings thereon, to the Town Clerk. *Hereof fail not.*

Dated at Lincoln, this sixteenth day of February in the year of our Lord one thousand eight hundred and ninety-three.

SAMUEL HARTWELL,	} <i>Selectmen</i>
LORENZO E. BROOKS,	
JOHN F. FARRAR.	
	<i>of</i>
	<i>Lincoln.</i>

## SELECTMEN'S REPORT.

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The Selectmen herewith submit an itemized statement of the receipts and expenditures of the town of Lincoln, for the year just passed, all of which tell their own story.

Since our last report to the town, the new Town House has been completed, and we are enabled to meet in our beautiful house, thanks to our benefactor, the late George F. Bemis, for his munificent gift, and to all who have assisted by their liberality towards the erection and furnishing of said house. Our Town House is a beautiful structure, and we hear nothing said of it except in its praise,—less than one hundred dollars remains to be paid for its erection and this is held to secure the replacing of a few brick which were imperfect.

### FURNISHING.

In furnishing the different parts of the town building it has been the object of all concerned to secure the best furniture to be had, and we feel sure that our house and its contents are second to none. A few articles yet remain to be supplied.

### GRADING, ETC.

In grading, laying wall, etc., around the Town House, it was found impossible to keep the accounts entirely separate from grading the common and other village improvements. All of which, notwithstanding the expense has been considerable, we believe the town can but be satisfied with the result. It has been our object to have the work done in a thorough and substantial manner.

### VILLAGE IMPROVEMENT.

Much of the earth removed from the cellar of the new Town House was used in connection with loam from land taken from the estate of the late Ellen Prentis and land of Samuel H. Pierce, also many loads of loam were presented by Mr. George Flint, to grade the common. The trees were also trimmed, which added



greatly to the appearance. With proper care the common will be an ornament to the town, and we hope the town will make an appropriation for its care. The improvement at S. H. Pierce's corner, near the Public Library, we believe to be a great addition to the appearance of the centre of the town, and its value in years to come be far more than its cost. Improvements are noticed by strangers, as well as by townspeople. Whoever the town may secure for its executive officers in future years, we hope improvements will continue to be made. Their effect if judiciously made is very marked. First impressions go a great way towards securing new and desirable residents, who increase our wealth and lessen our taxes.

#### LAW SUIT.

At time of writing the suit of Hampton *vs.* Town of Lincoln, for damages, for injuries received on Page's road (so called), on September fifth, 1891, has not been settled.

#### NEW ROAD.

Orders have been received at the Town Clerk's office from the County Commissioners to build during the present year a new road, beginning near the house of H. C. Chapin, and ending near the house of Mrs. Ellen Campbell.

#### SUPERINTENDENT OF STREETS.

At the annual town meeting in 1892, the system of road commissioners was abolished, which left it the duty of the Selectmen to appoint a superintendent of streets. On March 9th. Mr. Daniel H. Sherman was appointed to that office. He is a man in whom we believe all have confidence, and his report to the town will show the way and manner your money has been expended.

Other town officers have been appointed during the year as follows :

Mar. 9th. Sealer of Weights and Measures, James L. Chapin.

“ “ Warden of Forest Fires, Clarence A. Brooks.

“ 13th. Janitor of the Town House, George L. Chapin.

Apr. 30th. and reappointed in July to be Inspector of Provisions and Animals under Chapter 195, Acts of 1892, John F. Farrar.



## PRINTING REPORTS.

At the annual town meeting in 1892, it was voted to have all committees and commissioners etc., make a report of their doings, to be printed in the annual Town Report. With one exception all have responded to an invitation to do so promptly and cheerfully. In 1885 and 1886 more than two thousand dollars of the town's money was spent in laying out land for a cemetery, and in constructing drives, laying wall, erecting entrance, gate, etc., and otherwise beautifying and preparing the same for use. Since which time several lots in the cemetery have been sold, and for some of them money has been collected by some member of the cemetery committee. No report to the town has ever been made to our knowledge, of any such collection by any member of said committee as to the number of lots sold, to whom they were sold, the price for which they were sold, the number of lots paid for, by whom payment has been made, how much money has been received, how such money is invested, the amount of money on hand, and in whose possession said money is. The above seems to us to be a very loose method of carrying on business. No matter how honest your committee may be—and the honesty of its members we do not question for a moment — but we do think that the town has a right to know its affairs, and that that right should be respected. It is to be hoped that the desired information will soon be forthcoming.

Respectfully submitted by

SAMUEL HARTWELL,	}	<i>Selectmen of Lincoln.</i>
L. E. BROOKS,		
JOHN F. FARRAR,		

## Report of Overseers of the Poor.

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The overseers report no reduction by death or withdrawal from the number of persons dependent upon the support of the town, but the number has been increased by two. Since May 30, two dollars per week has been paid by the town for the board of Edward N. Haynes, and the overseers were instrumental in securing an increase of State Aid from four to six dollars per month for Mr. Haynes. This amount has been paid by the town each month beginning with May, 1892, and will be returned by the State.

On Oct. 13, 1892, Mary E. Curry was committed to the hospital at Worcester, and has since been an expense to the town. For further particulars you are referred to the expense account.

Respectfully submitted by

SAMUEL HARTWELL,	} Overseers of the Poor.
L. E. BROOKS,	
JOHN F. FARRAR,	

## Town Grants for 1892-93.

To Finish and Furnish the new Town House, . . .	\$2,500 00
“ Dedicate the new Town House, . . . . .	300 00
For Schools, . . . . .	3,000 00
“ Schools Incidentals, . . . . .	800 00
“ Manual Training, . . . . .	200 00
“ Library \$500 ; and Dog Tax, \$223,93, . . .	723 93
“ Support of Poor, . . . . .	1,000 00
“ Cemeteries, . . . . .	500 00
“ Interest, . . . . .	1,800 00
“ Highways and Bridges, . . . . .	4,000 00
“ Highways, etc. (extra) . . . . .	2,000 00
“ Miscellaneous Expenses, . . . . .	1,500 00
“ Two Watering Troughs, . . . . .	300 00
“ Village Improvements, . . . . .	500 00
“ Decoration Day, . . . . .	25 00
“ Extension of Water Works, . . . . .	800 00
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	\$19,948 93

## Valuation and Assessment for 1892.

Valuation of personal estate taxed, . . .	\$1,763,397 00
“ real “ “ . . .	704,555 00

Whole valuation, . . . . . \$2,467,952 00

Rate of taxation \$7.50 per \$1,000.

No. of polls taxed, 283.

Tax assessed in 1892, . . . . .	\$19,164 58
Deduct County Tax, . . . . .	2,188 39
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Amount to be paid Town Treasurer, . . .	\$16,976 19
“ received by “ “ . . .	15,145 07
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Due on uncollected taxes, 1892, . . .	\$1,831 12

## TREASURER'S REPORT.

*The Receipts into and Payments from Feb. 1, 1892, to Feb. 1, 1893, have been as follows:—*

Balance in the Treasury Feb. 1, 1892, . . . . .	\$4,087 39	Paid Selectmen's orders, . . . . .	\$64,807 99
Received of County Treasurer on account of Dog Tax returned, . . . . .	223 93	" State Tax, . . . . .	1,960 00
" of State Treasurer on account of Corporation Tax of 1891, . . . . .	1,273 58	Balance in the Treasury, . . . . .	1,423 47
" of State Treasurer on account of National Bank Tax of 1891, . . . . .	161 86		
" of State Treasurer on account of Corporation Tax of 1892, . . . . .	2,248 51		
" of State Treasurer on account of National Bank Tax of 1892, . . . . .	1,283 77		
" of State Treasurer on account of foreign ships, . . . . .	156 34		
" of State Treasurer on account of income Massachusetts School Fund, . . . . .	162 20		
" of State Treasurer on account of Military Aid, . . . . .	48 00		
" of State Treasurer on account of State Aid, . . . . .	4 00		
" Income of the Grammar School Fund, . . . . .	48 68		
" of Estate of Geo. F. Bemis on account of Town Hall, . . . . .	5,000 00		
" of Estate of Geo. F. Bemis on account of Lecture Fund, . . . . .	30,000 00		
" of Mrs. Charlotte Wheeler, on account of gift for piano, . . . . .	500 00		
" of Lincoln Water Works, . . . . .	200 00		
" of New England Trust Co., interest on deposits, . . . . .	30 03		
" of Commonwealth Bank, for loan, . . . . .	4,000 00		
" of Trustees of Bemis Lecture Fund, for loan, . . . . .	1,500 00		
" of Trust Fund Commissioners, for loan, . . . . .	500 00		
" for School Superintendent, . . . . .	159 70		
" for hearse, . . . . .	10 00		
" for settees, . . . . .	5 23		
" for scrap, . . . . .	5 00		
" for lumber, . . . . .	10 19		
" for hay at Cemetery, . . . . .	5 00		
" for rent of halls, . . . . .	76 00		
" balance of Taxes of 1891, . . . . .	1,260 64		
" interest on Taxes of 1891, . . . . .	49 05		
" on account of Taxes of 1892, . . . . .	15,145 07		
" interest on Taxes of 1892, . . . . .	37 29		
	<u>\$68,191 46</u>		<u>\$68,191 46</u>

E. &amp; O. E.

CHARLES S. WHEELER, Treasurer.

Having examined the accounts of the Treasurer, I find them correct.

W. L. G. PEIRCE, Auditor.

## Expenditures.

### FOR SCHOOLS.

#### RECEIPTS.

Town appropriation for Schools, . . .	\$3,000 00	
“ “ for Manual Training, . . .	200 00	
Superintendent, from the State, . . .	159 70	
Income Massachusetts School Fund, . . .	162 20	
“ Grammar “ “ . . .	48 68	
	\$3,570 58	

#### PAYMENTS.

##### *Centre School.*

C. C. Davis, teaching High School 19 weeks,	\$399 95	
John Q. Hayward, “ 11 weeks,	231 55	
Roscoe A. Small, “ 8 weeks,	168 42	
Carrie B. Chapin, Primary, 42 weeks,	504 00	
Ella L. Bates, teaching, 19 weeks,	171 00	
Harriette F. Sawin, “ 19 weeks,	152 00	
Bertha Scripture, “	82 75	
James L. Chapin & Son, care of house, .	75 00	
Garfield & Proctor Coal Company, 14 tons		
and 6 cwt. coal, . . . . .	77 94	
Zenas G. Smith, teaming coal, . . .	7 50	
George Flint, cash for washing rooms, .	4 00	
	\$1,874 11	

##### *South School.*

Harriette F. Sawin, teaching Grammar		
School 19 weeks, . . . . .	\$209 00	
Caroline L. Walker, teaching Grammar		
School, 19 weeks, . . . . .	216 00	
S. Adelaide Wetherbee, teaching Primary		
School 15 2-5 weeks, . . . . .	154 00	
Kate W. Grose, teaching Primary School,		
19 weeks, . . . . .	197 00	
	\$776 00	
<i>Amount carried forward,</i> . . . . .	\$776 00	



<i>Amount brought forward,</i>				\$776 00
May E. Sawin, teaching 3 weeks,				30 00
Zenas G. Smith, teaming 30 tons coal,				15 00
Garfield & Proctor Coal Co., 28 tons and 17 cwt. coal,				157 23
James A. Tyler, care of house 3 months,				15 25
Cornelius Moynihan, care of house,				14 30
Mrs. Thomas White, washing floors and windows,				12 00
Mrs. Statia Ryan, washing rooms,				2 25
W. K. Blodgett, expense on car coal,				45
George Flint, cash for washing room,				2 50
Thomas White, care of rooms 21 weeks,				35 70
J. H. Farrar, 2 cords wood,				12 00
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				\$1,072 68

*North School.*

Florence M. Sherman, teaching 34 weeks,				\$306 00
Ralph E. Butcher, care of house 1 year,				15 00
“ “ cleaning room and win- dows,				4 50
“ “ cleaning stove and wash- ing towels,				3 75
“ “ sawing $4\frac{1}{2}$ cords wood,				3 87
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				333 12

## SCHOOL SUPERINTENDENT.

L. T. McKenney, for services,					251 49
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					\$3,531 40
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Unexpended balance,					\$39 18

## Incidental Expenditures.

### FOR SCHOOLS.

#### RECEIPTS.

Town appropriation,	.	.	.	.	.	.	\$800 00
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#### PAYMENTS.

##### *Centre School.*

C. C. Davis, chemicals,	.	.	.	.	\$	5 47
Water Commissioners, water service,	.	.	.	.	.	14 00
Roscoe A. Small, express, etc.	.	.	.	.	.	45
Bertha Scripture, “	.	.	.	.	.	30
						20 22

##### *South School.*

Magee Furnace Co., repairs on furnaces,	.	.	.	.	\$	13 75
Water Commissioners, water service,	.	.	.	.	.	14 00
Thomas Coan, cleaning vaults,	.	.	.	.	.	5 00
Caroline L. Walker, car fare,	.	.	.	.	.	2 35
Kate W. Grose, car fare and express,	.	.	.	.	.	2 75
Thomas White, “	.	.	.	.	.	20
Mrs. Thomas White, car fare and supplies,	.	.	.	.	.	55
						38 60

##### *North School.*

Ralph E. Butcher, dust pan and brush,	.	.	.	.	.	50
C. W. Benjamin, cleaning walls,	.	.	.	.	.	5 00
						5 50

#### GENERAL SCHOOL ACCOUNT.

L. T. McKenney, sundries,	.	.	.	.	\$	6 38
Geo. F. King & Merrill, supplies,	.	.	.	.	.	64 18
Ginn & Co., school books,	.	.	.	.	.	12 37
American Book Co., school books,	.	.	.	.	.	9 02
N. F. Cousins, book room repairs, etc.,	.	.	.	.	.	59 11
Magee Furnace Co., supplies, labor, etc.,	.	.	.	.	.	33 32
						\$184 38
<i>Amount carried forward,</i>	.	.	.	.	.	

<i>Amount brought forward,</i>					\$184 38
Mrs. Dempsey, washing 84 towels,					4 20
Effingham, Maynard & Co., school books,					6 15
R. B. Somers, programs and notices					5 25
George S. Perry, supplies,					44 97
Thompson, Brown & Co., school books,					7 80
University Publishing Co., " "					22 27
Boston School Supply Co., supplies, etc.,					1 40
Silver, Burdett & Co., " "					43 32
J. L. Hammett, " "					7 07
Leach, Shewell & Sanborn, school books,					2 40
G. B. Goodrich & Co., school chart,					15 00
The Prang Educational Co., supplies,					28 92
George Flint, table and expense,					3 50
" " wagon for east part,					56 00
Robert Ellsworth, carrying children to school from East district, 8 weeks,					32 00
John Flynn, ditto, 10 weeks,					40 00
H. A. Sherman, carrying children from South district 48 1-5 weeks,					384 00
James L. Chapin & Son, sundries for schools,					4 88
Butterfield & Glass, " "					3 35
Carl Schoerhof, school books,					1 92
Lottie M. Corey, teaching Elocution,					5 00
Franklin Educational Co.,					4 14
D. C. Heath & Co., school books,					15 48
The American Book Co., school books and postage,					4 53
Berlitz & Co., school books and postage,					4 26
Edward W. Babb & Co., school books and postage,					2 27
Everett S. Locke, repairs,					5 00
B. A. Fowler & Co., Cyclopædia,					51 00
The Thorp & Adams Mfg. Co., supplies,					1 03
George Flint, incidental expenses,					5 00
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					\$996 49
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					\$1,060 81
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Expended above appropriation,					\$260 81

## Expended for Fence for South School House.

### PAYMENTS.

Butrick Lumber Company, for lumber and teaming, . . . . .	\$81 69	
A. Washburn, for labor, . . . . .	27 50	
Kendall & Higgins, nails, paint, etc., . . . . .	15 25	
	<hr/>	\$124 44
Cr. by lumber, etc., sold, . . . . .		9 19
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		\$115 25

### Interest.

#### RECEIPTS.

Town appropriation, . . . . .	\$1,800 00
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#### PAYMENTS.

Interest on Water Bonds, . . . . .	\$1,800 00	
“ “ temporary note of \$4,000 of National Bank of the Commonwealth, . . . . .	68 00	
“ “ temporary note of \$1,500, of Treasurer of Bemis Lecture Fund, . . . . .	24 00	
“ “ temporary note of \$500, of Secretary of Sinking and Trust Funds, . . . . .	8 00	
	<hr/>	1,900 00
Expended above appropriation, . . . . .		<hr/>
		\$100 00

## Temporary Loans.

#### RECEIPTS.

National Bank of the Commonwealth, . . . . .	\$4,000 00	
Treasurer of Bemis Lecture Fund, . . . . .	1,500 00	
Secretary of Sinking and Trust Funds, . . . . .	500 00	
	<hr/>	\$6,000 00

#### PAYMENTS.

National Bank of the Commonwealth, . . . . .	\$4,000 00	
Treasurer of Bemis Lecture Fund, . . . . .	1,500 00	
Secretary of Sinking and Trust Funds, . . . . .	500 00	
	<hr/>	\$6,000 00

## Library.

## RECEIPTS.

Town appropriation, . . . . .	\$500 00	
" " (Dog Tax, 1891), . . . . .	223 93	
	<u>          </u>	723 93

## PAYMENTS.

Samuel Hartwell, Treasurer, . . . . .		723 93
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## The George F. Bemis Lecture Fund.

## RECEIPTS.

From executor of estate of George F. Bemis, . . . . .	\$30,000 00	
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## PAYMENTS.

To W. K. Blodgett, treasurer of the Trustees of the Bemis Lecture Fund . . . . .	\$30,000 00	
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## Cemeteries.

## RECEIPTS.

Town Appropriation . . . . .	\$500 00	
For Hay, . . . . .	5 00	
	<u>          </u>	\$505 00

## PAYMENTS.

Edward Bannon, labor, . . . . .	\$124 86	
John Tasker, cash for gate, . . . . .	11 80	
Michael Ward, labor on gate, . . . . .	2 50	
	<u>          </u>	\$139 16

Unexpended balance . . . . .		\$365 84
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## Highways and Bridges.

## RECEIPTS.

Town appropriation . . . . .	\$4,000 00	
" " Special . . . . .	2,000 00	
	<u>          </u>	\$6,000 00

## PAYMENTS.

Superintendent's orders . . . . .	\$5,516 42	
Unexpended balance . . . . .		\$483 58



## Extension of Water Works.

## RECEIPTS.

Town appropriation,	. . . . .	\$800 00
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## PAYMENTS.

M. L. Hatch, contract,	. . . . .	\$950 00
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Expended above appropriation,	. . . . .	\$150 00
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## Decoration Day.

## RECEIPTS.

Town appropriation,	. . . . .	\$25 00
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## PAYMENT.

Expenses on account of Grand Army Post,	. . . . .	\$23 00
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Unexpended balance,	. . . . .	\$2 00
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## Dedication of Town House.

## RECEIPTS.

Town appropriation,	. . . . .	\$300 00
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George Ropes, chairman of the Dedication Committee,	. . . . .	\$311 79
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Expended above appropriation,	. . . . .	\$11 79
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The following statement shows how the money was expended by the Committee:

*Amounts paid by the Committee of Arrangements for the Dedication of the new Town House.*

Arlington Advocate,	. . . . .	\$1 50
Boston Transcript Co.,	. . . . .	7 00
Waltham Free Press,	. . . . .	1 50
Waltham Daily Tribune,	. . . . .	2 50
Journal Newspaper Co.,	. . . . .	8 25
Marlboro Enterprise,	. . . . .	2 00
R. H. Blodgett, printing, \$10.50, \$1.50	. . . . .	12 00
<i>Amount carried forward,</i>	. . . . .	<u>\$34 75</u>

<i>Amount brought forward,</i>	.	.	.	\$34 75
Geo. L. Chapin, music,	.	.	.	11 54
C. C. Parkyn,	"	.	.	100 00
James T. Laird, carting organ to Boston,				6 50
Fitchburg R. R. Co., freight chairs,	.			1 50
Willard Walcott, barge,	.	.	.	6 00
Horace Tuttle,	"	.	.	8 00
Martin M. Welch,	"	.	.	4 00
H. A. Sherman,	.	.	.	4 00
Paid Wm. Everett, Ph. D., oration,	.			100 00
" Rev. Henry J. Richardson, prayer,	.			10 00
James T. Laird,	.	.	.	4 50
J. Vercelli, lunch musicians, twice,	.			18 00
Postages, etc.,	.	.	.	3 00
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				\$311 79

E. &amp; O. E.

LINCOLN, Feb. 10, 1893.

GEO. ROPES, *Chairman.**Publishing Proceedings of the Dedication of the New Town House.*

## PAYMENTS.

John Anderson & Son, for views of the old	
Town House,	11 20
John Anderson & Son, for views of the new	
Town House,	11 20
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	\$22 40

## Village Improvement.

## RECEIPTS.

Town appropriation,	.	.	.	.	.	\$500 00
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## PAYMENTS.

John R. Hartwell, for labor,	.	.	.	\$386 66
Albert E. Wood, surveying,	.	.	.	3 50
James B. Wood, 2 bbls. Portland cement,				6 50
" " lumber for fence,	.	.		6 73
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<i>Amount carried forward,</i>	.	.	.	\$403 39

<i>Amount brought forward,</i>						\$403 39
Michael Ward, laying wall	32 $\frac{3}{4}$ days,					81 88
David Martin,	"	27 $\frac{1}{4}$ days,				47 68
Thomas F. Ham, sharpening drills, etc.,						2 34
Schlegel & Fottler, grass seed,						2 50
Samuel Hartwell, services,						25 00
"	"	cash, sharpening drills,				21
"	"	trimming trees,				3 00
"	"	cash, 2 horse load sand,				1 00
"	"	hauling cement from				
		Concord,				1 00
"	"	3 bags phosphate,				5 25
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						\$573 25
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Expended above appropriation,						\$73 25

### Drinking Fountains.

#### RECEIPTS.

Town appropriation,						\$300 00
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#### PAYMENTS.

Henry F. Jenks, two fountains,						\$262 44
M. L. Hatch, supplies and labor,						41 47
L. W. Weston, freight, cement, grading						
and expense,						32 48
James T. Laird, teaming fountains, stone,						
sand, cement and labor,						25 94
D. H. Sherman, grading at So. Lincoln,						32 42
Robert Wright, 7 days' labor,						12 25
Michael Ward, 6 $\frac{1}{2}$ days laying wall,						16 25
David Martin, 4 days' labor,						7 00
Globe Gas Light Co., 2 giant burners,						1 50
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						\$431 75
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Expended above appropriation,						\$131 75

## Support of Poor.

## RECEIPTS.

Town appropriation,	.	.	.	.	.	.	\$1,000 00
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## PAYMENTS.

Daniel H. Sherman, support of John Mc-							
Grath and tramps for 1892,	.	.	.	.	.	\$350 00	
Mrs. C. W. Braithwaite, board of Sarah C.							
Hartwell for 1892,	.	.	.	.	.	169 92	
Worcester Lunatic Hospital, support of							
Patrick Kenna and Jeremiah Burnett,							
Jan. 1, 1892, to Jan. 1, 1893,	.	.	.	.	.	339 84	
George P. Haynes, board of Edward N.							
Haynes, from May 30 to Dec. 1, 1892,						53 00	
Commonwealth of Massachusetts, support							
of Mary E. Curry, Oct. 13 to Dec. 31,							
1892,	.	.	.	.	.	37 14	
							\$949 90
Unexpended balance,	.	.	.	.	.		\$50 10

## Military Aid.

## RECEIPTS.

State of Massachusetts, reimbursement,	.	.	.	.	\$48 00
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## PAYMENTS.

Thomas Lynagh,	.	.	.	.	.	96 00
Expense to Lincoln for one year,	.	.	.	.	\$48 00	

## State Aid.

## RECEIPTS.

Reimbursement from State on account of Alice Wil-						
kinson,	.	.	.	.	.	\$4 00

## PAYMENTS.

Mrs. Alice Wilkinson,	.	.	.	.	\$48 00	
Edward N. Haynes,	.	.	.	.	54 00	
						102 00
Expended above receipts,	.	.	.	.		\$98 00

## Construction and Furnishing of the New Town House.

### RECEIPTS.

Gift of the late George F. Bemis, for Town House, . . . . .	\$20,000 00
Gift of Edwin Bemis, for Town House, . . . . .	2,000 00
Gift of Mrs. Charlotte Wheeler, for on account of piano, . . . . .	500 00
	<hr/> \$22,500 00
Town grant 1891, for finishing and furnishing new Town House, . . . . .	\$4,000 00
Town grant 1892, for finishing and furnishing new Town House, . . . . .	2,500 00
	<hr/> \$6,500 00
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Total receipts, . . . . .	\$29,000 00

### PAYMENTS.

H. L. Warren, architect, balance for services, . . . . .	\$673 90
H. L. Warren, car fare, . . . . .	13 22
W. L. Rutan, on account of contract, . . . . .	6,250 00
A. Kohler, balance of furnace bill, . . . . .	140 00
M. L. Hatch, for plumbing, etc., . . . . .	381 65
W. L. Rutan, altering gable windows to swing, . . . . .	35 00
Smith & Lovett, three pieces iron grating, . . . . .	27 00
W. W. Hayes, concrete, . . . . .	339 65
“ “ paving gutter, . . . . .	15 75
W. K. Blodgett, cash for sundries, . . . . .	20 31
M. L. Hatch, zinc, paper, labor over furnaces, . . . . .	13 82
John F. Farrar, hauling paving stones, . . . . .	3 25
N. F. Cousins, work and materials, . . . . .	1 00
Michael Ward, fitting iron gratings, . . . . .	11 25
David Martin, labor 1½ days, . . . . .	2 62
Thomas F. Ham, sharpening drills, . . . . .	57
	<hr/> \$7,928 99



## Furnishing New Town House.

Harwood Manufacturing Company, 567	
Assembly Chairs, . . . . .	\$823 33
W. K. Blodgett, expense on Assembly chairs, . . . . .	14 12
Bradley & Hubbard Manufacturing Co., lamps, fixtures, etc., . . . . .	226 73
Derby & Kilmer Desk Co.—	
Tables and chairs for Selectmen's and and Town Clerk's offices, . . . . .	170 00
Desk and table for Town Hall, . . . . .	39 20
Mahogany swivel chair, . . . . .	20 00
“ desk for Bemis Hall, . . . . .	65 00
“ bookstand “ . . . . .	5 00
Steinert & Sons Co., 1 Grand Piano, . . . . .	950 00
Boston Wall Paper Co., 37 window shades, . . . . .	50 00
Lang & Jacobs, 1 sixty-gallon oil cabinet, . . . . .	20 00
Wheeler, Reflector Co., 2 lanterns, . . . . .	7 75
M. L. Hatch, Crawford Range and ware, . . . . .	38 00
“ “ Russia pipe and zinc, . . . . .	6 70
Murdock Parlor Grate Co., 2 pairs wrought iron andirons, . . . . .	24 00
F. A. Walker & Co., 2 shovels and tongs, . . . . .	5 00
“ “ “ furnace poker, . . . . .	75
John F. Farrar, teaming lamps, furniture, and for labor, . . . . .	28 00
Lappen Bros., for mats, . . . . .	35 19
“ “ “ 1 dozen spittoons, . . . . .	12 60
James T. Laird, hauling furniture, . . . . .	2 00
Fitchburg Railroad Co., freight on tables and chairs, . . . . .	67
Thomas Groom & Co., pens, holders, 4 blocks paper, ink, envelopes, 1,000 each letter and note headings, 4 ink-stands and mats, . . . . .	31 10
Samuel Hartwell, express on andirons, . . . . .	45
“ “ steps for hall, . . . . .	1 00
<i>Amount carried forward,</i> . . . . .	<u>\$2,576 59</u>

<i>Amount brought forward,</i> . . . .	\$2,576 59	
Samuel Hartwell, plates for closet doors, .	1 00	
“ “ elastics and penwipers, .	80	
Wheeler Reflector Co., foot lamps and fixtures, . . . . .	10 65	
N. F. Cousins, putting on fixtures, .	1 00	
	<hr/>	\$2,590 04
Expended in 1892-93, . . . . .	\$10,519 03	
Previously reported, . . . . .	18,857 05	
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Construction and furnishing to Feb. 1, 1893, .	\$29,376 08	
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Expended above receipts, . . . . .	\$376 08	

### Miscellaneous Expenses.

#### RECEIPTS.

Town appropriation, . . . . .	\$1,500 00	
Rent of halls, . . . . .	76 00	
	<hr/>	\$1,576 00

#### PAYMENTS.

##### Geo. E. Crosby & Co.—

Printing 400 Town Reports, . . .	\$ 78 00
“ voting lists, . . . . .	7 50
“ 300 cards and envelopes, . . .	4 18
“ town warrants, . . . . .	6 50
“ notices of reward and posters, .	5 50
Lincoln Water Works, water service at 3 troughs, . . . . .	60 00
L. E. Brooks, court fees, . . . .	27 81
“ “ witness fees, . . . . .	8 10
Orilla J. Flint, abatement of taxes, .	9 20
George Flint, “ “ . . . . .	42 75
Chas. S. Wheeler, collector, abatement of 19 poll taxes, . . . . .	38 00
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<i>Amount carried forward,</i> . . . . .	\$287 54

<i>Amount brought forward,</i> . . . . .	\$287 54
Chas. S. Wheeler, collector, abatement of taxes, personal tax Daniel Haynes, .	28
Wm. Hall & Co., extra keys for town officers, . . . . .	4 30
Cook Bros., 5940 lbs. coal for town hall .	19 31
John R. Hartwell, 4 tons coal, town hall,	27 00
“ “ wood, town hall, .	2 50
Garfield & Proctor Coal Co., 30 tons 2 cwt. coal for town hall, . . . . .	164 05
Z. G. Smith, teaming coal to town hall, .	15 00
“ “ extra labor putting in coal,	2 50
Edw. Bannon, care of town house 41 days,	20 50
“ “ cash for 20 gallons oil, .	2 40
M. R. Warren, Treas. and Assr's. books, .	7 75
Chas. S. Wheeler, collecting taxes of 1891, \$14,931.33 at 1½ per cent. . . . .	223 96
Wm. Barrett, agent, to exchange policies of insurance on town house. . . . .	64 38
Forest L. Stetson, 500 assessors' lists, .	3 00
Chas. S. Wheeler, to express and freight,	1 03
Wm. L. G. Peirce, services as Auditor two years, . . . . .	20 00
Wm. L. G. Peirce, services as Inspector,	4 00
Thos. L. Giles, “ “	4 00
L. W. Weston, services as Police Officer at November election, . . . . .	2 00
Mason P. Hunter, services as Deputy Inspector, . . . . .	2 00
T. Wilbur Smith, services as Deputy Inspector, . . . . .	2 00
R. B. Somers, 700 tax bills, . . . . .	2 50
L. W. Weston, lighting lamp at fountain,	1 00
Samuel H. Pierce, land near library, .	01
James H. Farrar, services as truant officer,	3 00
“ “ “ “ constable, .	3 00
“ “ use of team, . . . . .	1 50
“ “ cash to keeper of lockup,	1 00
<i>Amount carried forward,</i> . . . . .	\$891 51

<i>Amount brought forward,</i>				\$891 51
George L. Chapin, care town house, 8 mos.				100 00
“ “ “ extra service at hall, .				15 00
“ “ “ cash for cleaning win-				
dows, . . . .				9 00
James L. Chapin & Son, sundries, . .				34 20
“ “ “ “ use of hall, . .				12 00
James L. Chapin, express and postage, .				5 00
“ “ “ services as Registrar, . .				12 00
“ “ “ “ “ Town Clerk, . .				30 00
“ “ “ returning 12 births, . .				6 00
“ “ “ “ 7 marriages, . .				1 05
“ “ “ “ 17 deaths, . .				3 40
Edwin Dutcher, lighting lantern 7 months,				5 83
“ “ lantern supplies, . .				3 54
John F. Farrar, services as Selectman, .				30 00
“ “ “ “ “ Overseer of the				
Poor, . . . .				25 00
John F. Farrar, services as Registrar, .				10 00
Samuel Hartwell, 3 journeys to Boston and				
Cambridge and expense, on account of				
R. R. crossing, . . . .				9 00
Samuel Hartwell, express on town reports,				50
“ “ 2 constable badges, . .				1 50
“ “ recording vote, . .				50
“ “ cash mowing Common 3				
times, . . . .				4 90
“ “ services as Selectman, . .				75 00
“ “ “ “ Overseer of				
Poor, . . . .				25 00
“ “ “ “ Registrar, . .				10 00
“ “ postage and stationery, . .				5 00
“ “ time and expense, self				
and horse on account				
of suit, Hampton vs.				
Lincoln, to Feb. 1,				
1893, . . . .				15 00
John R. Hartwell, repairs on scraper, .				4 00
<i>Amount carried forward,</i>				\$1,342 93

<i>Amount brought forward,</i>	.	:	.	\$1,342 93
L. E. Brooks, services as Selectman,	.			50 00
" " " " Overseer of Poor,				20 00
" " " " Registrar,	.			10 00
" " " " Constable,	.			30 00
Wallace M. Brooks, services as Assessor,				75 00
Charles S. Smith, " "	.			75 00
" " copying extra Valuation				
Book,	.	.	.	15 00
" " express and postage,	.			2 00
Charles S. Wheeler, services as Constable,				3 00
" " " School Com-				
mittee,	.			25 00
" " " Treasurer,	.			75 00
" " postage, stationery, etc.,				5 78
George Flint, services as School Committee,				25 00
Heirs of the late Ellen Prentis, for land				
taken to enlarge Town House lot,	.			1 00
Roger Sherman, watching after fire,	.			2 00
Dennis Dougherty, " " "	.			2 00
M. D. Spencer, " " "	.			2 00
Charles Connors, " " "	.			2 00
Ogden Codman, services as Assessor,	.			50 00
" " " as School Com-				
mittee,	.	.		20 00
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				\$1,832 71
Expended above receipts,	.	.	.	\$256 71



## Statement of Expenses

FROM FEB. 1, 1892, TO FEB. 1, 1893.

For Schools, . . . . .	\$4,340 72
School Superintendent, . . . . .	251 49
Library, . . . . .	723 93
Support of Poor, . . . . .	949 90
Military Aid, . . . . .	96 00
State Aid, . . . . .	102 00
Cemeteries, . . . . .	139 16
Interest, . . . . .	1,900 00
Highways and Bridges, . . . . .	5,516 42
South School Fence, . . . . .	124 44
Construction Town House, . . . . .	7,928 99
Furnishing " " . . . . .	2,590 04
Temporary Loans, . . . . .	6,000 00
Bemis Lecture Fund, . . . . .	30,000 00
Extension of Water Works, . . . . .	950 00
Decoration Day, . . . . .	23 00
Dedication of Town House, . . . . .	311 79
Village Improvements, . . . . .	573 25
Drinking Fountains, . . . . .	431 75
Miscellaneous Expenses, . . . . .	1,832 71
Publishing Proceedings of Dedication, . . . . .	22 40
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Amount of Selectmen's orders, . . . . .	\$64,807 99

## Jury List.

The following names are presented to the Town by the Selectmen, from which to supply jurors for the ensuing year :

John F. Farrar,	Charles S. Wheeler,
Herbert W. Farrar,	Charles Edgar Wheeler,
George P. Haynes,	Clarence A. Brooks,
George H. Hoar,	Edward F. Flint,
George Ropes,	J. Walter Nelson,
Charles S. Smith,	Roger Sherman,
T. Wilber Smith,	S. Rodman Snelling,
Martin M. Welsh.	

SAMUEL HARTWELL,	} <i>Selectmen</i>
L. E. BROOKS,	
JOHN F. FARRAR,	
	<i>of</i>
	} <i>Lincoln.</i>

Lincoln, Feb. 16, 1893.

## Assessors' Report.

### VALUATION MAY 1, 1892.

Real Estste,	.	.	.	.	.	\$704,230 00
Personal Estate,	.	.	.	.	.	1,704,793 00
Total,	.	.	.	.	.	\$2,409,023 00
Additions to Real Estate,	.	.	.	.	.	325 00
“ Personal Estate,	.	.	.	.	.	70,530 00
						\$2,479,878 00
Abatements Personal Estate,	.	.	.	.	.	11,926 00
						\$2,467,952 00

### TAXES.

State Tax,	.	.	.	.	.	\$1,960 00
County Tax,	.	.	.	.	.	2,188 39
Town Grant,	.	.	.	.	.	13,625 00
Overlayings,	.	.	.	.	.	849 79
						\$18,623 18
Additional tax on Real Estate,	.	.	.	.	.	2 44
“ “ Personal Estate,	.	.	.	.	.	528 97
						\$19,154 59
Abatements Personal Estate,	.	.	.	.	.	89 45
						\$19,065 14

Rate of Taxation per \$1,000, \$7.50.

Number of polls, 280 males, 3 females.

### ASSETS.

Schoolhouses,	\$17,000 00
Library,	30,000 00
Books,	3,000 00
Other Pub. Buildings,	25,000 00
Cemeteries,	2,500 00
Water Works,	40,000 00
Trust Funds,	36,363 25
Sinking Fund,	8,012 59

\$161,875 84

### LIABILITIES.

Water Bonds,	\$30,000 00
Trust Funds,	36,363 25

\$66,363 25

Assets over Liabilities, \$95,512.59.

## PROPERTY EXEMPTED.

Public Library and Books, . . . . .	\$33,000 00
First Parish, . . . . .	28,000 00
Unitarian Congregational Society, . . . . .	2,650 00
St. Anne Episcopal Society, . . . . .	2,150 00
South Hall Corporation, . . . . .	900 00

A Table showing the Valuation, Tax, Tax Rate, etc., since the year 1860 :

Year	No. Polls	Value Personal Estate	Value Real Estate	Amount of Tax	Rate per \$1,000	No. Houses	No. acres Land
1861	203	\$ 159,233	\$385,660	\$4,069 53	\$6 66	125	8842
1862	205	149,695	392,445	5,137 14	8 46	128	8842
1863	199	185,756	394,215	6,798 41	10 80	128	8842
1864	204	98,117	397,041	8,277 74	15 54	130	8842
1865	200	162,680	399,481	9,359 68	15 54	129	8844
1866	198	185,855	398,865	6,725 99	10 44	129	8844
1867	202	196,149	398,930	7,633 99	11 80	131	8844
1868	203	199,915	401,601	5,120 73	7 50	132	8844
1869	206	210,479	403,147	6,876 63	10 20	135	8842
1870	213	227,931	411,631	11,545 62	17 00	136	8844
1871	239	237,627	421,455	10,612 80	15 00	138	8844
1872	231	380,860	531,425	10,740 85	10 90	139	8844
1873	217	257,085	533,287	11,639 69	13 70	145	8844
1874	235	251,997	551,827	12,702 16	14 70	146	8713
1875	250	226,816	548,972	12,391 73	14 90	147	9130
1876	256	231,077	557,713	23,921 66	17 00	154	8976
1877	269	217,572	566,038	12,684 07	15 50	157	8977
1878	254	215,302	563,074	11,016 21	13 50	155	8977
1879	262	193,749	567,259	7,373 00	9 00	157	8957
1880	257	326,748	565,839	6,583 72	6 80	159	8840
1881	264	363,677	564,344	6,906 16	6 00	159	8834
1882	257	709,160	565,366	8,803 11	6 50	156	8845
1883	278	586,407	582,186	9,671 02	7 80	160	8867
1884	287	518,676	587,201	12,075 12	10 40	160	8905
1885	284	467,079	602,890	5,703 85	4 80	163	8913
1886	284	697,448	609,320	12,067 56	8 80	164	8946
1887	296	782,085	619,995	12,089 02	8 20	170	8963
1888	282	1,000,792	629,485	10,671 67	6 20	170	8973
1889	299	751,340	633,760	17,357 65	12 10	171	8978
1890	310	890,603	649,085	13,547 38	8 40	177	8973
1891	276	1,839,382	678,095	14,897 12	5 70	180	8970
1892	283	1,704,793	704,230	18,623 18	7 50	183	8970

OGDEN CODMAN,  
CHARLES S. SMITH,  
WALLACE M. BROOKS, } *Assessors  
of  
Lincoln.*

## Report of Superintendent of Highways.

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In the last report the necessity of a liberal appropriation was urged to meet the needs of all sections of the town. At the Annual Town Meeting the recommendations were favorably acted upon, and the sum of \$4,000 was appropriated for the care of and the maintenance of highways and bridges. This sum proved inadequate to satisfactorily meet the exigencies of the case, and at a subsequent meeting an additional sum of \$2,000 was appropriated. With this amount rapid progress has been made toward placing the roads in a condition which will be acceptable to the citizens.

Some of the roads have been much improved and, while a large amount of money has been expended, it is felt that it has been judiciously laid out, and that the quality of the improvements made fully illustrate this fact. There are a great many places where repairs are needed, and it is recommended that in the matter of appropriations for the ensuing year the same liberal policy be pursued as in the past, in order that the improvements may be continued.

The County Commissioners have ordered a new road built, diverging at a point on the Depot road, near the residence of Mrs. Campbell, and running to a point on the same road near the residence of Dr. Chapin, thus avoiding the hill on the present road between these points.

There is considerable travel on foot on the Depot road, and it is recommended that a sidewalk be constructed from Farnsworth's corner to the centre of the town.

The money appropriated has been expended as follows: Superintendent of Highways, \$285; snow work, \$120; North Great road, \$804; Turnpike, \$133; road by Mrs. A. S. Brooks', \$55; Virginia road, \$35; road by Mr. Taylor's, \$61; road from Mr. Chapin's store to top of hill, \$290; near the Library, \$114; road from Sandy Pond to Weston, \$440; road from depot to Dr. Chapin's, \$410; road by Mr. Cousins' and Mr. Leach's, \$40; road from East Schoolhouse to Waltham, \$450; road from Weston to Lexington, \$65; South Great road, \$700, roads from



South Great road to Concord, \$285; road from depot to Farnsworth's corner, \$475; road from South Great road to Weston, \$65; scraping roads and gathering up stones, \$165; cutting brush beside roads, \$40; pipe for culverts and near the Town Hall, \$55; gravel, \$99; tools, \$38.75; repairing tools and road scrapers, \$32; lumber and posts, \$35; surveying, 1891, \$25; and other general repairs, etc., \$193.92; making a total of \$5,516.42. Below will be found a statement of payments.

DANIEL H. SHERMAN,  
*Superintendent of Highways.*

Town appropriations,							\$6,000 00
Mar.	4.	John F. Farrar, as per bill,				\$7 50	
	7.	Roger Sherman,				24 00	
		John Flynn,				3 32	
		John Kennedy,				4 20	
	10.	James H. Farrar,				14 00	
	31.	Mason P. Hunter,				7 00	
Apr.	14.	Roger Sherman,				39 00	
	16.	J. W. Rooney,				17 50	
	19.	Owen Martin,				17 50	
	20.	Joseph Loux,				8 50	
	23.	John Ryan,				28 00	
		Peter Corrigan,				12 25	
		Fred Bamforth,				8 75	
	25.	Anthony Dempsey,				26 25	
		Dennis Dougherty,				17 50	
		L. E. Brooks,				175 94	
		D. H. Sherman,				261 25	
	27.	Thomas Coan,				38 50	
		James Farrar,				66 50	
	28.	Thomas L. Giles,				25 50	
		J. W. Rooney,				10 50	
		James A. Tyler,				28 00	
		Geo. P. Haynes,				76 25	
		John R. Hartwell,				38 00	
	29.	Robert Wright,				24 50	
		Arthur Messenger,				30 19	
		James H. Farrar,				60 50	
May	3.	Roger Sherman,				104 00	
	4.	Gardner Moore,				4 08	
Amount carried forward,						\$1,178 98	

<i>Amount brought forward,</i>					\$1,178 98
May	10.	J. J. Driscoll,	as per bill,	.	45 50
		John Flynn,	" "	.	92 25
	13.	Roger Sherman,	" "	.	39 00
	14.	L. E. Brooks,	" "	.	243 20
	16.	Patrick Craven,	" "	.	10 50
	20.	J. W. Rooney,	" "	.	7 87
		J. J. Giblin,	" "	.	3 50
	23.	J. Spencer and others,	" "	.	11 44
		W. J. Conway,	" "	.	14 00
	28.	T. L. Giles,	" "	.	16 00
		John F. Farrar,	" "	.	115 75
	30.	Robert Wright,	" "	.	3 40
		Amos Holman,	" "	.	17 50
June	4.	Fred Bamforth,	" "	.	3 89
	4.	Amos Holman,	" "	.	11 58
	6.	Arthur Messenger,	" "	.	12 25
	8.	W. W. Clark & Son,	" "	.	5 42
	11.	J. W. Rooney,	" "	.	23 14
	13.	James Kenna,	" "	.	16 95
	14.	Patrick Craven,	" "	.	16 44
		Anthony Dempsey,	" "	.	24 89
	18.	W. D. Hunter,	" "	.	17 75
	20.	John F. Farrar,	" "	.	64 95
	25.	Con. Bernard,	" "	.	10 50
		D. H. Sherman,	" "	.	263 00
		Michael Riley,	" "	.	3 50
	30.	Roger Sherman,	" "	.	85 33
July	1.	George P. Haynes,	" "	.	8 56
	14.	John Maguire,	" "	.	52 88
	19.	H. G. Paine,	" "	.	4 65
	28.	J. R. Hartwell,	" "	.	27 75
	30.	W. H. Sherman,	" "	.	300 25
Aug.	20.	J. R. Hartwell,	" "	.	33 00
Sept.	20.	Patrick Craven,	" "	.	9 62
	21.	T. L. Giles,	" "	.	9 62
	26.	L. E. Brooks,	" "	.	723 00
	26.	C. E. Brown,	" "	.	1 65
		W. O. Benjamin,	" "	.	5 10
	21.	George Shewring.	" "	.	11 37
Oct.	31.	John Ryan,	" "	.	17 50
		J. R. Hartwell,	" "	.	113 95
Nov.	1.	W. F. Baker,	" "	.	71 82
	2.	David W. Lewis,	" "	.	47 25
	3.	Fitchburg R. R. Co.,	" "	.	4 40
	12.	Z. G. Smith,	" "	.	44 75
<i>Amount carried forward,</i>					\$3,845 60

<i>Amount brought forward,</i>		.	.	.	\$3,845 60
Nov.	19.	John Ryan,	as per bill,	.	22 94
	23.	J. R. Hartwell,	" "	.	110 00
	26.	Z. G. Smith,	" "	.	50 76
		George Shewring,	" "	.	15 75
	28.	Roger Sherman,	" "	.	113 75
	30.	John Ryan, 2d,	" "	.	34 12
		Michael Downey,	" "	.	48 12
		John Maguire,	" "	.	50 75
		D. H. Sherman,	" "	.	404 33
Dec.	1.	John F. Farrar,	" "	.	147 45
	2.	W. H. Sherman,	" "	.	225 25
	8.	Patrick Craven,	" "	.	27 22
	10.	John Coan,	" "	.	35 87
	12.	John Ryan,	" "	.	8 75
	14.	Owen Martin,	" "	.	20 12
		John Flynn,	" "	.	18 39
	16.	David Marden,	" "	.	1 75
	17.	Michael Ward,	" "	.	12 50
	20.	Con. Bernard,	" "	.	3 50
Jan.	1.	T. F. Ham,	" "	.	1 30
	2.	Jas. L. Chapin & Son,	" "	.	26 06
	10.	J. R. Hartwell,	" "	.	36 25
		Michael Downey,	" "	.	1 75
	16.	John Kennedy,	" "	.	13 11
	27.	W. H. Sherman,	" "	.	10 00
	31.	John F. Farrar,	" "	.	10 00
		L. W. Weston,	" "	.	10 00
Feb.	1.	S. R. Snelling,	" "	.	12 00
		J. H. Farrar,	" "	.	11 75
		Mrs. Haynes,	" "	.	4 00
		J. A. Burgess,	" "	.	19 00
	7.	Roger Sherman,	" "	.	40 81
		D. H. Sherman,	" "	.	88 22
	8.	Frank P. Johnson,	" "	.	25 00
	9.	W. L. G. Peirce,	" "	.	4 50
		John R. Hartwell, cash for tools,		.	5 75
					<hr/> \$5,516 42
Unexpended balance,					<hr/> \$483 58

I hereby certify that I have examined the bills of the Superintendent of Roads, and they appear to be correct.

W. L. G. PEIRCE, *Auditor.*

## TOWN CLERK'S REPORT.

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There have been registered the past year, ending Jan. 1, 1893 :

12 Births.

17 Deaths.

7 Marriages.

As shown by the following list of names.

There have been 121 dogs licensed, for which there has been \$268.80 paid to the County Treasurer.

Very respectfully submitted by

JAMES L. CHAPIN, *Town Clerk.*

## BIRTHS REGISTERED.

Date of Birth.	Name of Child.	Name of Father.	Name of Mother.
Feb. 4, 1891.	Wendell Melville Bemis.	Charles L.	Mary P.
" 2, 1892.	— Williams.	Frank.	Emma.
" 16, "	Grace Edith Rice.	Edwin B.	Madeline A.
Mar. 16, "	Lila May Bernard.	Cornelius.	Lizzie.
April 10, "	Mary Gilbert.	Napoleon.	Agnes.
June 18, "	John Patrick Connors.	Charles.	Bridget.
July 18, "	— Holman.	Amos.	Catherine.
Sept. 21, "	Mary Agnes Delory.	Joseph A.	Sarah J.
Nov. 13, "	Henry Bennett.	William H.	Amelia.
" 21, "	Theresa Jane Myette.	Simon.	Ellen.
" 21, "	Mandy Barnard Boyce.	John.	Mary.
Dec. 14, "	Theresa Geraldine Cahill.	Michael.	Annie.

Whole number of Births registered,	12
Males,	6
Females,	6

*Nativity of Parents.*

United States.	7
Nova Scotia,	9
Canada,	1
Ireland,	7



## MARRIAGES REGISTERED.

Date of Marriage.	Names.	Age.	Residence.	Occupation.
Mar. 23, 1892. {	Edgar C. Browning. Lillian Calkins.	24 20	Lincoln. Lincoln.	Farmer. At Home.
Apr. 5, " {	William H. Butcher. Fanny Craton.	24 18	Lincoln. Concord.	Farmer. At Home.
Aug. 6, " {	Michael Connor. Mary Martin.	22 22	Lincoln. Lincoln.	Laborer. Domestic.
" 7, " {	Patrick Craven. Julia Maguire.	42 30	Lincoln. Waltham.	Laborer. Cook.
" 31, " {	Michael Dolan. Catherine Crowley.	25 25	Lincoln. Lincoln.	Salesman. Housework.
Sept. 19, " {	Joseph H. Ford. Isabelle S. Dennen.	49 33	Boston. Lincoln.	Soap Manufac'r. At Home.
Nov. 30, " {	Joseph Underwood. Lucy Hopkins.	55 45	Lincoln. Lincoln.	Ice Merchant. Cook.

Whole number of Marriages registered, . . . . . 7

## DEATHS REGISTERED.

Date of Death.	Names.	Age. y. m. d.	Cause of Death.
Jan. 3, 1892.	Hannah F. Brooks	93 8 25	Old Age.
" 3, "	John Lahay.	76 7 -	Pneumonia.
" 12, "	Jonathan Ames.	64 3 7	Pneumonia.
" 14, "	Charity Mitchell.	58 - -	Heart Failure complicating Pneumonia.
Feb. 2, "	John D. Sherman.	75 10 11	Pneumonia.
" 10, "	Ellen Prentis.	75 9 10	Pneumonia.
" 19, "	James Curry	50 - -	Railroad Accident.
" 28, "	Grace Edith Rice.	- - 12	Inanition.
April 10, "	Mary Gilbert.	1 hr.	Premature Birth.
" 22, "	Dennis J. Driscoll.	70 5 8	Pneumonia.
May 16, "	Daniel Haynes.	76 - -	Heart Failure.
June 11, "	James Leonard Wheeler.	7 7 24	Scarlet Fever.
July 28, "	Eliza M. Browning.	64 3 1	Pulmonary Embolism.
Sept. 13, "	Elvira Brown.	78 7 8	Paralysis.
Oct. 5, "	George Wendell Hoar.	3 1 9	Tubercular Meningitis.
" 17, "	Ruth Jane Wheeler.	3 10 27	Nephritis (Immediate cause, Heart Clot.)
Nov. 26, "	Ellen T. Dempsey.	25 - -	Consumption.

Number of Deaths registered, . . . . . 17

Males, . . . . . 8

Females, . . . . . 9

## Report of Water Commissioners.

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The Water Commissioners respectfully submit their Annual Report :

It is with much pleasure that we are able to report that this has been the most successful year in the history of the water works. At a special meeting held in October, the town voted to extend the water pipes in a northerly direction a distance of twelve hundred feet. Proposals were received from several parties. Mr. M. L. Hatch being the lowest bidder, and the most available contractor, was engaged to do the work for the sum of nine hundred and fifty dollars. We also made arrangements with the Fitchburg Railroad Company to supply them with water at the Lincoln Station, the railroad company to defray all expenses except the cost of a meter. We are also able to report an increased number of faucets. The works are in good condition, and owing to some slight improvements and knowledge gained by experience, we are able to run them at a lower rate than ever before. The pumps are doing their work, and will probably last a few years longer. We also report that the balance of the money advanced by the town for repairs at the pumping station has been paid into the Town Treasury.

L. W. WESTON, *Chairman.*

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The Receipts and Expenditures have been as follows :

Balance on hand, Feb. 1, 1892,	.	.	.	\$ 137 49
Water rates received,	.	.	.	1,123 38
Interest,	.	.	.	2 82
				<hr/> \$1,263 69

Paid James T. Laird, pumping,	267 87	
"      "      sundries,	2 05	
N. F. Cousins,	1 00	
Arthur W. Kidder, labor in 1891,	14 25	
"      "      services as Water		
Commissioner,	20 00	
James T. Laird, 5 cords wood,	30 00	
Town of Lincoln,	200 00	
Fitchburg R. R. Co., freight,	41 42	
Garfield & Proctor Coal Co., coal,	197 89	
J. F. Jones & Co., oil,	13 70	
Edward Bannon, labor at reservoir,	6 00	
Zenas G. Smith, teaming,	33 60	
Walworth Mfg. Co.,	5 00	
S. D. Hicks & Son,	2 50	
Hersey Mfg. Co., 3 inch meter,	124 50	
"      "      repairs,	3 90	
Star Brass Mfg. Co., counter,	26 20	
Wheeler Reflector Co., lamps,	7 00	
Knowles Pump Works, air chamber,	29 99	
H. W. Pratt,	6 00	
Edward Kendall & Sons, section of		
grate,	3 68	
H. R. Worthington,	1 50	
Braman, Dow & Co., pressure regu-		
lator, and labor,	74 99	
L. W. Weston, labor and sundries,	34 07	
"      services as Water		
Commissioner,	20 00	
Geo. L. Chapin, services as Water		
Commissioner,	20 00	
	<hr/>	\$1,187 11
Balance on hand Feb. 1, 1893,		\$76 58
Water rates due and uncollected,		\$178 09

I hereby certify that I have examined the accounts of the Water Commissioners and find them correct.

W. L. G. PEIRCE, *Auditor.*

# Report of the Commissioners of Sinking and Trust Funds.

GEORGE ROPES, *Treasurer Commissioners' Sinking and Trust Fund.*  
*In Account with the Sinking Fund.*

1892.	DR.	
April 16.	To cash received, J. L. Chapin, treas.,	\$1,451 96
" "	" " J. H. Farrar, int. mortgage note,	82 50
" "	" " Mary M. Ropes, " "	62 50
" 19.	" " Interest Fitchburg R. R. Co.'s Bond,	35 00
May 14.	" " J. L. Chapin, treas., interest,	14 05
Oct. 12.	" " Mary M. Ropes, int. motgage note,	62 50
" "	" " Interest Fitchburg R. R. Co.'s note,	35 00
" "	" " Int. Conn. & Pass'sic Co.'s R.R. bond,	35 00
" 18.	" " James H. Farrar, int. mortgage note,	82 50
Dec. 1.	" " Town Lincoln, interest on loan,	8 00
" "	" " Old Colony Trust Co., interest,	8 50
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		\$1,877 51

1892.	CR.	
April 16.	By cash paid Connecticut & Passumpsic R. R. Co.,	\$1,029 64
" "	" " " " " in Old Colony Trust Co. 7 per cent bond,	847 87
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		\$1,877 51

The present investment of this Fund is as follows, viz :

Bond No. 171, Fitchburg R. R. Co., 7 per cent interest due April 1, 1894, . . . . .	\$1,000 00
Bond No. 697, Connecticut & Passumpsic R. R. bond, 7 per cent interest due April 1, 1893, . . . . .	1,000 00
James H. Farrar's note April 21, 1884, 5 years interest at 5½ per cent per annum secured by mortgage on estate in So. Lincoln,	3,000 00
Mary M. Ropes' note Sept. 11, 1891, 3 years at 5 per cent per annum, secured by mortgage on estate in Arlington and Winchester, . . . . .	2,500 00
Cash in Old Colony Trust Co., . . . . .	847 87
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	\$8,347 87

E. & O. E.

Lincoln, Feb. 10, 1893.

GEO. ROPES, *Treasurer.*

GEO. ROPES, *Treasurer Commissioners' Sinking and Trust Funds.*

## IN ACCOUNT WITH

*The George G. Tarbell Legacy to the Lincoln Library.*

1892.

DR.

April 16.	To cash received from James L. Chapin, Treas.,	\$545 00
"	" " 6 mos. interest Orrville Woodsome's mortgage,	50 00
July 2.	" " Boston & Lowell R.R. Co.'s dividend, 3 shares,	10 50
Aug. 19.	" " 6 mos. int. Caroline A. Nye's mtge,	25 00
Oct. 3.	" " Orrville Woodsome's mtge. and int.,	2,050 00
Dec. 19.	" " 6 mos. int. C. H. Stratton's mtge.,	45 00
1893.		
Jan. 2.	" " Boston & Lowell R. R. dividend, 8 shares,	28 00
"	" " West End R. R. Co.'s dividend, 13 shares,	26 00
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		\$2,779 50

1892.

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March 4.	By cash paid 3 shares Boston & Lowell R.R. Co.'s stock	\$525 75
May 9.	" " Sam'l Hartwell, Treas. Lincoln Library,	19 25
Aug. 19.	" " " " " "	25 00
Oct. 3.	" " for discharging Orrville Woodsome's mortgage,	25
Nov. 11.	" " 13 shares West End R.R. preferred stock,	1,139 39
Dec. 1.	" " 5 shares Boston & Lowell R. R. stock,	929 75
1893.		
Jan. 30.	" " Sam'l Hartwell, Treas. Lincoln Library,	140 11
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		\$2,779 50

The present investment of this Fund is as follows, viz. :

Caroline A. Nyes' note, Feb. 4, 1890, 5 years' int. at 5 per cent. per annum, secured by mortgage on estate, Garden St., Boston,	\$1,000 00
C. H. Stratton's note, June 15, 1891, 2 years int. at 6 per cent. per annum, secured by mortgage on Farm in Lincoln,	1,500 00
8 shares Boston & Lowell R. R. Co.'s stock, cost,	1,455 50
13 shares West End R. R. Co.'s preferred stock, cost,	1,139 39
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	\$5,094 89

E. &amp; O. E.

Feb. 1, 1893.

GEO. ROPES, *Treasurer.*



GEO. ROPES, *Treasurer Commissioners' Sinking and Trust Funds.*

## IN ACCOUNT WITH

*The George Russell Legacy to the Lincoln Library.*

1892.	DR.	
May 9.	To cash received, Interest on H. M. Taylor's mortgage to March, 1892,	\$ 27 60
Sept. 9.	To cash received, Principal H. M. Taylor's mortgage,	675 00
"	" " " Interest " " "	27 65
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		\$730 25
1892.	CR.	
May 9.	By cash paid Samuel Hartwell, Treas. Lincoln Library,	\$27 60
1893.		
Jan. 30.	" " " " " "	27 65
Feb. 6.	" " 7 Shares Fitchburg R. R. Preferred Stock,	642 25
"	By cash in Old Colony Trust Co.,	32 75
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		\$730 25

The present investment of this Fund is as follows, viz.:

John Landahl's Farm, mortgage foreclosed,	\$325 00
7 shares Fitchburg R. R. Co.'s preferred stock, cost	642 25
Cash in Old Colony Trust Co.,	32 75
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	\$1,000 00

E. & O. E.

Feb. 6, 1893.

GEO. ROPES, *Treasurer.*

### Report of Committee to Purchase Coal.

The committee appointed a year since to purchase the supply of coal for town purposes have attended to their duties and beg to report.

We purchased of the Garfield & Proctor Coal Co.

For Town Hall	30 tons 200 lbs.	} At \$5 45 long ton delivered at depot at Lincoln.
" Centre School	14 " 600 "	
" South "	28 " 1700 "	
" Library	11 " at \$5 55	
" Water Works about	50 " Cumberland	\$3.80 f.o.b. Boston.

W. K. BLODGETT, *Chairman.*

## Report of the Trustees of the George F. Bemis Lecture Fund.

May 2d and 28th we received from the Town Treasurer the legacy of thirty thousand dollars left by the late George F. Bemis. The same has been invested in stock of the following corporations in the name of "the Trustees of the George F. Bemis Lecture Fund for the Town of Lincoln."

20	shares	Boston & Albany R. R.
50	"	Boston & Lowell R. R.
33	"	West End Pref. R. R.
20	"	Fitchburg R. R.
20	"	Old Colony R. R.
20	"	Boston & Providence R. R.
20	"	Bell Telephone.

There has been received with interest and dividends to

Jan. 1, 1893,	\$2,622 20
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As the above stocks were mostly purchased "dividend on" there has been transferred from the income stated to the principal fund the sum of

\$493 75
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Leaving as income to Jan. 1, 1893,	2,128 45
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There has been paid for lectures and other expenses to date

\$899 22
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Cash on deposit in Boston Safe Deposit & Trust Co.	1,229 23
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2,128 45
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Respectfully submitted,

W. K. BLODGETT, *Treasurer.*



## AUDITOR'S REPORT.

Having examined the bills and vouchers presented to the several officers of the town for payment, and paid according to the foregoing reports, I find them correct.

W. L. G. PEIRCE, *Auditor.*

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## REPORT OF THE TRUSTEES OF THE PUBLIC LIBRARY.

LINCOLN, February 10, 1893.

The Trustees of the Library submit the Report of its Treasurer, and the statistical report of its Librarian; also a list of new books purchased during the year. A gift of seventy dollars from Ogden Codman, Esq., is gratefully acknowledged.

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## STATISTICS OF LINCOLN PUBLIC LIBRARY.

No. of volumes in Library, . . . . .	4,760
“ “ added past year, . . . . .	265
Total delivery of books from Jan. 1, 1892, to Jan. 1, 1893, . . . . .	3,255
Registration of borrowers, . . . . .	283
No. of new names added past year, . . . . .	62





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ANNUAL REPORT  
OF THE  
SCHOOL COMMITTEE  
OF THE  
TOWN OF LINCOLN,  
FOR THE  
SCHOOL-YEAR 1892 - 93.



# Superintendent's Report.

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*To the School Committee of Lincoln :*

GENTLEMEN:—The third annual report of the Superintendent of Schools is presented.

Notwithstanding the work of the year has been characterized by many changes among the teachers, the schools have improved in many ways, and are now on a much better working basis than they were a year ago. The changes, however, have not been as numerous as last year, although but two of the six teachers who were in the schools January 1, 1892, remained in their positions throughout the year, and one of these has now resigned. The High School has had three principals, one teacher has been transferred, and one has been added to the force as indicated in the table of statistics following this report.

The numerous changes in teachers, however, have resulted in improvement, so that our schools are now, without exception, supplied with excellent teachers, teachers whom it will be wise policy to retain, even at increased expense.

## WORK OF THE SCHOOLS.

The teachers readily entered upon the course of studies printed in last year's report, and the pupils are now fairly settled into the grades of work outlined for them. Although some of the lines of study are innovations, they are certainly leading in the right direction.

Drawing, with clay modeling in the primary grades, has been introduced and is being successfully conducted in all the schools below the High.

The plant study has been successful beyond my expectations. It was not expected that more than a beginning in this line would be made the first season, but the little folks, last spring and fall, did all the work outlined for them, and the third and fourth grades, in most cases, not only did their own grade work, but made up that of the previous years, so that they will go on next spring with the advance work, with that of the previous years made up to grade.

This work is interesting both to teachers and pupils. Not only does it give the pupil a knowledge of the things studied, but it furnishes him something to look at, something to talk about, and something to think about, and thus cultivates his powers of observation, comparison, reason, and expression. It is the object, and, I believe will prove to be the result, of the new work introduced into the course of studies, and of the methods of conducting all the work, to develop the four faculties, which President Eliot says should be the fundamental object of all education to develop, viz.: "to observe correctly, to record accurately the results of observation, to collate facts, and draw just inferences therefrom, and to express clearly and forcibly logical thought."

It is but just to say that our present corps of teachers are in hearty sympathy with the plan proposed, and are working with energy and ability in the lines suggested.

There has been some improvement in attendance as will be observed in the table of statistics. The average membership is larger in proportion to the enroll-



ment than last year, and the per cent. of attendance has slightly increased, while the instances of tardiness have been decreased almost one-half.

Irregular attendance has become a habit with some of our pupils, if not with their parents, to such an extent that the improvement is not as great as I had hoped for.

This matter requires special attention and effort on the part of both teachers and parents, that the lessons of punctuality and attention to duty may be enforced, — lessons not less important than any taught in the public schools, since they are essential elements of success in life.

#### NOTES FROM PARENTS.

Teachers are instructed to request notes from parents when children are tardy or absent. This request is made in all kindness, and with the utmost courtesy towards parents, and is done in order that the teachers may co-operate with parents in the care of children on their way to and from school, in accordance with the requirements of law. This is not assuming that children are untruthful, although it must be confessed that the word of all children cannot be relied upon, and especially is this true of those who are inclined to be laggards or truants. The request is certainly a just one, and made in the interest of both parent and pupil, and ought to receive the approval of all parents. In no other way can parents always know whether their children are in school when they ought to be.

#### RECORD CARDS.

Instead of promoting pupils on the result of an examination on the year's work, or on the teacher's

estimate of the pupil's work made at the end of the year, cards have been furnished the teachers, on which the pupil's record of character, scholarship, and attendance are carefully made at the end of each month, and these cards, which give a true record of the pupil's work in the school room, and of his conduct in and about the school building, will form the basis of promotion. Thus the cards ought to be of much interest to teachers, parents, and pupils. They go into the hands of the parents every month and keep them informed of the pupil's standing in school. Parents are requested to give the cards careful attention, and, if they indicate doubt of the pupils' promotion, to co-operate with teachers in urging their children to better effort in the line of failure. The record of scholarship is made up from frequent oral and written tests, combined with class work, and is, thus, the record the child makes for himself as a pupil, as the work of future years will be the record he makes as a citizen. The promotion, therefore, which means much to the pupil, does not turn on a "lucky hit," or an unfortunate mistake, as is often the case when it is based on the result of a single examination, but is made on his steady, every-day work—the same test that will be applied as a measure of his success or failure in the active life for which he is preparing.

### HIGH SCHOOL.

A convenient room for supplies has been made in the boys' upper hall, relieving the High School of the inconvenience of using its recitation room as a storehouse. The supplies are now much better cared for, and the cost of the improvement was slight, while no inconvenience has resulted from the space taken in the hall.

A set of the International Cyclopedia has been added to the appliances of the High School, and the constant use made of these reference books proves their practical necessity. If they have not already paid for themselves, they have, at least, paid large interest on their cost.

At the opening of the fall term an assistant was employed in the High School for two hours a day, allowing the assistant in the grammar school to devote all her time to the lower school, instead of dividing it between the two, as formally. This has proved an advantage to both schools, and one that is appreciated by the High School pupils as shown by their excellent work. This change is a profitable one and would be, if it cost more than it does at present.

#### COURSE OF STUDY FOR HIGH SCHOOL.

In outlining this course of study it has not been considered the province of our High School to fit pupils for college, but rather to give them a better knowledge of English and a broader mental development, and thus fit them for active life and citizenship. The attempt has, therefore, been to make a practical English course to supplement that outlined for the lower schools, and to carry on the lines of study there begun.

#### COST OF SCHOOLS.

It is both interesting and instructive to note, in the following table, the comparison of Lincoln with neighboring towns in the cost of schools.

The comparison has been made with the other five towns in this superintendency district, and with a few neighboring and representative towns in the county and with the average for the county.

COMPARATIVE EXPENSE TABLE.

	Sum appropri- ated by town for each child between 5 and 15 years of age.	Average wages per month of female teach- ers.	Percentage of valuation appropriated to Public Schools in mills and hundredths.	Length of school yr. in months and days.
Lincoln, . . . .	\$16 87	\$35 20	\$.001-73	9-10
Bedford, . . . .	16 20	38 80	2-39	10
Billerica, . . . .	11 11	35 50	2-45	9-10
Burlington, . . . .	9 43	32 00	1-96	9
Carlisle, . . . .	12 22	29 00	2-46	9
Wilmington, . . . .	14 25	32 64	4-21	10
Chelmsford, . . . .	13 51	35 20	3-42	9
Concord, . . . .	19 73	59 16	3-61	10
Lexington, . . . .	19 21	45 00	2-95	10
Lowell, . . . .	14 64	60 31	3-02	9-16
Cambridge, . . . .	18 17	62 00	3-22	10
Waltham, . . . .	19 04	58 23	3-33	10
Av. for Mid'sex Co.,	16 67	50 79	3-29	8-9

It will be observed that, in the cost per pupil, Lincoln ranks fifth in the list of twelve towns in the comparison, and slightly above the average for the county. In the salaries paid female teachers there are but three below it, and it is more than fifteen dollars per month below the average for the county. In the cost of schools to valuation also Lincoln ranks extremely low, being the lowest in the list, and only about one-third of the average for the county.

The figures in the above table have been taken from the report of the State Board of Education for 1890-91. There has been some change during the past two years but the relative comparison probably remains about the same.

This comparison shows that Lincoln is paying for its schools about the same per pupil as the average towns in the county, and considerably less than some of the



adjoining towns, while it is evidently able to pay as much for the education of its children as any town in the county.

It also shows that the salaries of teachers is relatively low to the other school expenses. Thus the most essential element in efficient schools — good teachers—has been, in a sense, overlooked. Schools without good teachers, although otherwise well equipped, will make poor progress ; while with less money expended in other directions, but with good teachers, good results will be obtained. Without good teachers it is impossible to have good schools. We had better have teachers without books than books without teachers. But there is no reason why a town, that possesses the means that Lincoln does, should not pay salaries large enough to secure and retain efficient teachers, and at the same time supply all needed appliances and accommodations.

#### CONCLUSION.

I wish to thank the teachers for their earnest work, and for the progressive spirit they have shown in willingly advancing along the lines I have suggested.

To the Committee I also express my thanks for the large liberty they have given me in the management of the schools, for the consideration given to my plans and suggestions, and for the courtesy I have always received at their hands.

Respectfully submitted,

L. T. McKENNEY.



TABLE OF STATISTICS.

SCHOOL.	TERM.	TEACHER.	Whole number of pupils.	Average membership.	Average daily attendance.	Per cent. of daily attendance.	Tardinesses.	Visits of citizens.	Visits of Committee.	Visits of Superintendent.	Length of Term.
High.....	Winter....	C. C. Davis.....	29	27.67	22.48	80.55	6	*	*	3	3½ months.
	"	Ass't, Ella L. Bates.....									
	Spring....	C. C. Davis.....	28	26.45	22.11	83.59	7	*	*	5	2½ months.
	"	Ass't, Ella L. Bates.....									
Central.....	Fall.....	J. Q. Hayward.....	28	24	22.91	95.45	9	12	6	8	3½ months.
	"	Roscoe A. Small.....									
	Winter....	Ass't, Bertha Scripture..	43	35.09	30.99	88.25	17	7	6	3	3½ months.
	"	Carrie B. Chapin.....									
S. Grammar...	Spring....	Ass't, Ella L. Bates.....	49	44.25	41.49	93.76	4	10	0	4	2½ months.
	"	Carrie B. Chapin.....									
	Fall.....	Ass't, Ella L. Bates.....	54	49.06	45.32	92.37	26	12	1	6	3½ months.
	"	Carrie B. Chapin.....									
S. Primary....	Winter....	Ass't, Harriette F. Sawin	23	15.43	13.39	86.71	37	12	11	3	3½ months.
	Spring....	Harriette F. Sawin.....	20	20.26	18.42	90.91	27	23	5	3	2½ months.
	Fall.....	Caroline L. Walker.....	30	27.65	25.25	90.49	29	29	15	6	3½ months.
	"	S. Adelaide Wetherbee..	36	23.63	22.92	86.07	33	13	4	3	3½ months.
North.....	Winter....	S. Adelaide Wetherbee..	40	34.02	30.41	89.12	56	10	4	3	2½ months.
	Spring....	Kate W. Grose.....	33	31.66	28.77	90.87	20	24	9	6	3½ months.
	Fall.....	Florence M. Sherman....	23	20.70	17.94	86.42	11	9	2	2	3 months.
	"	Florence M. Sherman....	24	20.38	17.79	87.29	9	0	2	3	2½ months.
	Spring....	Florence M. Sherman....	21	18.80	16.84	89.10	24	22	2	5	3½ months.
	Fall.....	Florence M. Sherman....									

## YEARLY AVERAGES.

High.....	Changed during year....	29	26.06	22.5	89.86	22	12	6	16	9½ months.
Centre.....	Carrie B. Chapin.....	43	42.80	39.27	91.46	47	29	7	13	9½ months.
S. Grammar...	Changed during year....	25	21.11	18.90	89.37	93	64	31	12	9½ months.
S. Primary....	Changed during year....	46	30.77	27.33	88.69	109	47	17	12	9½ months.
North.....	Florence M. Sherman....	29	20.02	17.52	87.60	44	31	6	10	9½ months.
Total, 1892....	.	172	140.76	125.52	89.40	315	183	67	63	
Total, 1891....	.	185	146.53	127.20	89.13	561	150	27	67	

\* No Date.

# Course of Study, Lincoln High School.

## FIRST YEAR.

1st Term, .	Commercial Arith., 5	Physics, . . . . 5	English, . . . . 3	Reading, 3	Latin, . . 4
2d Term, .	Book-keeping, . .	Physics and Chemistry, 5	English, . . . . 3	Reading, 3	Latin, . . 4
3d Term, .		Chemistry, . . . . 5	English, . . . . 3	Gen. History, 5	Reading, 3
					Latin, . . 4

## SECOND YEAR.

1st Term, .	Geometry, . . . . 5	Zoology, . . . . 5	American Lit., . 5		Latin, . . 4
2d Term, .	Geometry, . . . . 5	Human Body, . . . . 5		Eng. History, 5	Latin, . . 4
3d Term, .	Geometry, . . . . 5	Botany (Plant Anal.) . 5		U. S. History, 5	Latin, . . 4

## THIRD YEAR.

1st Term, .	Algebra, . . . . 5	Geology, . . . . 5	Eng. Literature, 5		Latin, . . 4
2d Term, .	Algebra, . . . . 5	Physical Geography, . 5	Eng. Literature, 5		Latin, . . 4
3d Term, .	Algebra, . . . . 5	Astronomy, . . . . 5		Civil Gov't, . 5	Latin, . . 4

Gymnastics daily. Rhetoricals once in three weeks for each pupil. Figures beside subjects indicate the number of recitations per week.

At a meeting of the School Committee held Feb. 16, the report of the Superintendent was accepted and adopted as the report of the Committee.

GEORGE FLINT, CHARLES S. WHEELER, OGDEN CODMAN,	}	<i>School Committee.</i>
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# TOWN OFFICERS FOR 1893-94.

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## *Moderator at Town Meetings.*

CHARLES S. WHEELER.

## *Town Clerk.*

JAMES L. CHAPIN.

## *Selectmen and Overseers of Poor.*

SAMUEL HARTWELL,

JOHN F. FARRAR,

ARTHUR W. KIDDER.

## *Assessors.*

CHARLES S. SMITH,

WALLACE M. BROOKS,

JAMES H. FARRAR.

## *Treasurer and Collector of Taxes.*

CHARLES S. WHEELER.

## *Auditor.*

WILLIAM L. G. PEIRCE.

## *Constables.*

JAMES H. FARRAR,

EDWIN DUTCHER,

ARTHUR W. KIDDER.

## *School Committee.*

GEORGE FLINT,	.	.	.	.	Term expires 1894.
JAMES H. FARRAR,	.	.	.	.	" " 1894.
MOSES W. KIDDER,	.	.	.	.	" " 1896.

## *School Superintendent.*

L. T. MCKENNEY.

## *Water Commissioners.*

ARTHUR W. KIDDER,	.	.	.	.	Term expires 1894.
LEONARD W. WESTON,	.	.	.	.	" " 1895.
GEORGE L. CHAPIN,	.	.	.	.	" " 1896.

SAMUEL HARTWELL, Chairman of Selectmen *ex-officio*.  
CHARLES S. WHEELER, Town Treasurer *ex-officio*.

*Field Drivers.*

SAMUEL FARRAR,

LORENZO E. BROOKS,

HENRY W. BARNES.

*Fence Viewers.*

J. W. NELSON,

SAMUEL FARRAR.

*Surveyors of Lumber.*

N. F. COUSINS,

GEORGE F. HARRINGTON,

EDWARD R. FARRAR.

*Measurers of Wood and Bark.*

EDWARD R. FARRAR,

WALTER F. BAKER,

FRANCIS J. KIDDER,

GEORGE L. CHAPIN,

THOMAS L. GILES.

*Commissioners of Sinking and Trust Funds.*

LEONARD W. WESTON, . . . . Term expires 1894.

GEORGE ROPES, . . . . " " 1895.

WARREN K. BLODGETT, . . . . " " 1896.

*Cemetery Committee.*

JAMES L. CHAPIN, . . . . Term expires 1894.

CHARLES S. SMITH, . . . . " " 1895.

JOHN TASKER, . . . . " " 1896.

HENRY C. CHAPIN, M. D., . . . . " " 1897.

HERBERT E. BARNES, . . . . " " 1898.

*Registrars.*

SAMUEL HARTWELL,

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SAMUEL HARTWELL, Chairman of Selectmen, *ex-officio*.GEORGE FLINT, Chairman of School Committee, *ex-officio*.*Trustees of Bemis Fund for Free Public Lectures.*

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WARREN K. BLODGETT,

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*Trustees of Grammar School Fund.*

CHARLES S. WHEELER,

EDWARD C. FOSTER.

HERBERT E. BARNES.

*Sexton.*

EDA B. BARNES.

**APPOINTED BY SELECTMEN:***Superintendent of Streets.*

DANIEL H. SHERMAN.

*Sealer of Weights and Measures.*

JAMES L. CHAPIN.

*Janitor of Town House.*

GEORGE L. CHAPIN.

*Fire and Forest Fire Wardens.*

CLARENCE A. BROOKS,

CHARLES S. SMITH,

JAMES H. FARRAR.

*Inspector of Provisions and Animals.*

JOHN F. FARRAR.

*Police Officer, Sec. 85, Chap. 27, Public Statutes.*

JAMES B. BUTTERFIELD.



# WARRANT.

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## COMMONWEALTH OF MASSACHUSETTS.

MIDDLESEX SS.

*To Arthur W. Kidder, or either of the Constables of  
the Town of Lincoln, in said County,* GREETING :

In the name of the Commonwealth of Massachusetts, you are hereby required to notify and warn the inhabitants of the Town of Lincoln, duly qualified to vote in town affairs, to assemble at the Town Hall, on Monday, March fifth next, at one o'clock, P. M., to act on the following articles, viz. :

ARTICLE 1. To choose a Moderator to preside at said meeting.

ART. 2. To hear the reports of Town Officers and all other persons whose duty it is to make reports at this meeting, and enact anything in relation to said reports the town shall think proper.

ART. 3. To choose all necessary Town Officers, Committees, Commissioners and Trustees.

ART. 4. To enact anything in relation to the Jury List prepared by the Selectmen.

ART. 5. To determine the manner of repairing the highways and bridges of the town the ensuing year, and enact anything in relation thereto.

ART. 6. To appropriate money for all necessary purposes of the town, and enact anything in relation thereto.

ART. 7. To consider and provide for the payment of the water debt, which matures December 1, 1894, and enact anything in relation thereto.

ART. 8. To give in their votes by ballot in answer to the question: "Shall licenses be granted for the sale of intoxicating liquors in this town?" The check list shall be used, as provided by section 5, chapter 100 of the Public Statutes.

ART. 9. To determine the manner of collecting taxes, also the compensation of the Collector for the ensuing year; and to see if the town will authorize the Collector to use all means of collecting taxes which a Town Treasurer when appointed Collector may use.

ART. 10. To see if the Town will authorize their Treasurer, under the direction of the Selectmen to borrow money in anticipation of taxes, if necessary, and for payment of new Depot road if built the present year.

ART. 11. To see if the Town will pay for use of hearse at funerals, when requested so to do by interested citizens.

ART. 12. To see if the Town will dispose of the East and North School-houses, or either of them, or enact anything in relation to them.

ART. 13. To see if the Town will instruct the School Committee to employ a Music Teacher and have music taught in the Public Schools of this Town.

ART. 14. To see if the Town will discontinue and withdraw from its union with the towns of Bedford, Billerica, Burlington, Carlisle, and Wilmington, for the purpose of the employment of a Superintendent of Schools under the provision of Chapter 431 of the

Acts of 1888, and rescind the vote by which it united with said towns for said purpose; and will vote to unite with the towns of Bedford, Billerica and Burlington, for the same purpose, namely: the employment of a Superintendent of Schools under the provision of Chapter 431 of the Acts of 1888 and subsequent amendments thereto, or do anything in relation to the same.

ART. 15. To see if the Town will open and construct a road continuous with the road now terminating at Spencer's corner, extending the same to the road near the house of Mr. Briggs, and discontinue the present road from the East School-house towards Lincoln Centre, to the junction with the road running by the Foster place, so called.

ART. 16. To see if the Town will make an appropriation for enlarging the Centre School-house, and also for the purchase of land in the rear of the building for a play ground.

ART. 17. To see if the Town will direct the Commissioners of the Sinking Fund to collect and pay to the Town Treasurer all money due the Town, on account of said Fund, before December 1, 1894.

ART. 18. To see if the Town will raise by taxation and appropriate money to pay for the Town Water Bonds or any part of them when due (Dec. 1, 1894); or will authorize the Treasurer or any other persons to print, sign, issue, and sell new bonds or notes to pay any part of said bonds and to provide for further extension of the water works, and if so what date, time and interest said notes or bonds shall bear.

ART. 19. To see if the town will vote to extend the water-pipes from Farnsworth's Corner to John

Tasker's, and from the main line to the new house of George Flint on the East road, and pay for the same with money in the Treasury, or in bonds to be issued by the town.

ART. 20. To see if the Town will direct the Water Commissioners to pay to the Town Treasurer money sufficient to pay the interest before the same becomes due on any new bonds or notes issued, also to take any other action the Town may think necessary in regard to the maintainance, care, improvement, extension, renewals of, or anything else in regard to the water works.

ART. 21. To see if for the purpose of preserving the purity of its water supply, the Town will take all that piece of land lying nearly west of the pumping station and adjoining land owned by the Town and between the public highway and the pond and running alongside the pond as far as the curve in the public road beyond the boathouse, and containing by estimation one-half acre more or less.

And you are directed to serve this Warrant by posting an attested copy thereof, at the Town House, at each of the Post Offices and in the vestibule of the Meeting House of the First Parish, eight days, at least, before the time of the meeting, and making seasonable return thereof, with your doings thereon, to the Town Clerk. Hereof fail not.

Dated at Lincoln, this thirteenth day of February in the year of our Lord one thousand eight hundred and ninety-four.

SAMUEL HARTWELL,	} <i>Selectmen</i>
JOHN F. FARRAR,	
ARTHUR W. KIDDER,	
	<i>of</i>
	<i>Lincoln.</i>



## SELECTMEN'S REPORT.

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A statement of the receipts and expenditures of the Town of Lincoln for the year ending Feb. 1, 1894, is herewith submitted to the town. A comparison of which with the expenditures of ten years ago, will show, not only the largely increased cost of items contained in the accounts of both years, but also the increased number of causes of expenditure in the present, as compared with the former year. A recapitulation of expenses of the two years in question will be found later on in this report.

The question is sometimes asked, "Where the money of the town goes to?" The answer is very readily given when we consider that the town votes in public meeting to purchase certain articles, and to carry certain measures into effect which cost large sums of money, for which they make no appropriation whatever, and again, when heads of departments expend money far in excess of the appropriation made by the town for that purpose.

### SCHOOLS.

The problem of schools is presenting unusual interest at this time. A radical change is being made which in the near future will call for large expenditures in the matter of school accommodation. We refer to the transportation of children from all parts of the town to the Centre Schools, where the accommodations are insufficient. The rooms are crowded to excess, and the number of cubic feet of space allotted to each scholar is probably below the law limit. The salaries of teachers are increased. The cost of transportation of children is large, and our school-houses in the outparts of the town are rendered almost valueless; and when in addition to the above, the town takes the risk of accident, and of the health of the children from cold and exposure in transportation, the question arises, Is it a wise step for this town to take?

### HIGHWAYS AND BRIDGES.

The liberal appropriation of money made by the town for this department has been expended under the direction of Mr. Daniel H. Sherman, who it is expected will present to the town his



report of expenditures in detail. The fact that the Government makes nine hours a legal day for all public work instead of ten hours as formerly, is one great reason why a smaller appropriation for this department will be insufficient to keep our highways in good repair.

#### GUIDEBOARDS.

Several new guideboards have been purchased and erected, where needed, the past year, and others are believed to be in good condition.

#### LAW SUIT.

The suit of *Hampton v. Town of Lincoln*, for injuries said to have been caused by an alleged defect in the highway, on Sept. 5, 1891, was tried in the Superior Civil Court at East Cambridge, before Judge Dunbar, on January 24, 25 and 26, and resulted in a verdict for the plaintiff in the sum of seven hundred and fifty (\$750) dollars.

#### FIRE DEPARTMENT.

This department is new for this town,—as by vote of the town at the annual meeting in March, 1893.

Fifteen hundred (1,500) feet of hose, two hose carriages and fixtures, were purchased at a cost of little less than one thousand (\$1,000) dollars. One carriage and seven hundred and fifty (750) feet of hose was located in the basement of the Centre school-house, and a like amount in the stable of Cook Brothers, near the station at South Lincoln. The Selectmen appointed a company of twenty men for each carriage, and it is expected that the officers of said companies will report their organization. One carriage was called into action at the fire when the barn occupied by Mr. Dutcher was burned, and did good service in saving the house.

#### STREET LAMPS.

According to the instructions of the town, lamps and appurtenances therefor were brought and placed in position at the centre of the town, and as a general thing the street has been lighted each night from the iron water-trough to the Town House. As far as we know they have given general satisfaction. The expense in detail will be given in another place.

## VILLAGE IMPROVEMENTS.

Improvements have been confined mostly to sidewalks on either side of the street near the Town House. It was noticed that the people leaving the Town House on lecture evenings were obliged to walk in the street and were in danger of being injured by teams which used the same place. By making sidewalks on either side of the street, for people on foot, left the street clear for use of teams, and is a decided benefit, and is appreciated by all.

## TEMPORARY LOANS.

The practice in recent years of paying for certain expenditures from money in the Treasury has so reduced the available funds of the town as to render it necessary the last two years, to borrow six thousand (\$6,000) dollars each year to meet the current expenses of the town until such a time as the taxes of the then current year became due. At which time six thousand dollars of the money appropriated for other purposes have to go to pay the temporary loans, and the town is thereby placed in debt to that amount. The benefits of such financiering are not sufficient in our judgment to warrant the practice.

## TOWN DEBTS.

The bonds of the Town of Lincoln to the amount of thirty thousand (\$30,000) dollars issued Dec. 1, 1874, for twenty years, mature Dec. 1, 1894. A Sinking Fund has been created by the town amounting to something less than one-third of the amount of bonds. It will be necessary to provide for the balance in some way at maturity of bonds.

It seems to the Selectmen to be a feasible way to provide for the payment of the debt, to give the town's notes or bonds in amount of two thousand (\$2,000) dollars each, making one payable in 1895, one in 1896 and one in each succeeding year until the debt is paid, and to provide for the payment of said notes or bonds, by raising by taxation two thousand dollars each and every year, commencing with the present year until the last note is paid.

## NEW STREET.

There is a probability that the street ordered by the County Commissioners to have been built last year, extending from Dr.

Chapin's to near the house of Mrs. Cambell, will be built by the County Commissioners the present year, in which event the town will have to provide the means for payment thereof.

#### GIFTS TO THE TOWN.

A short time after the dedication of the Town House, Dr. William Everett presented the town with a small sized framed portrait of Abraham Lincoln, which is hung in the Selectmen's office. After Mr. J. H. Littlefield delivered his lecture on "Reminiscences of Abraham Lincoln," he, too, gave the town a portrait of Mr. Lincoln, which the town afterwards had framed, and which now hangs in Bemis Hall. During the season just passed, Mr. George Ropes presented the town with a very large French plate mirror, which we have caused to be placed in one of the dressing rooms, beside the stage just off from Bemis Hall. It is a very valuable gift, and will be appreciated by all who look therein, "and see themselves as others see them." Recently the heirs of Mr. George F. Bemis presented to the town his portrait to be hung in Bemis Hall, which will be highly appreciated, and will ever bring to mind the giver of our beautiful hall and of the fund, the income of which provides, free to us, the instructive and elevating lectures and entertainments which we so much enjoy.

Respectfully submitted by

SAMUEL HARTWELL,	} <i>Selectmen</i>
J. F. FARRAR,	
ARTHUR W. KIDDER,	
	<i>of</i>
	<i>Lincoln.</i>

## Report of the Overseers of the Poor.

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\* No changes occurred in the department of the poor during the year 1893.

Five persons have been entirely supported during the year, the expense of which including tramps has been \$1,027.84.

A detailed account of expenditures will be found in another place in this report.

Respectfully submitted by

SAMUEL HARTWELL,	}	<i>Overseers of the Poor.</i>
J. F. FARRAR,		
ARTHUR W. KIDDER,		

## Town Grants for 1893-94.

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For Schools, . . . . .	\$3,500 00
“ Schools Incidentals and Superintendent, . . .	1,000 00
“ Support of Poor, . . . . .	1,000 00
“ Library, . . . Dog Tax (\$247.30,) and	500 00
“ Cemeteries, . . . . .	500 00
“ Interest, . . . . .	1,900 00
“ Highways, Bridges and Snow, . . . . .	5,000 00
“ Miscellaneous Expenses, . . . . .	1,500 00
“ Decoration Day, . . . . .	25 00
“ Village Improvements, . . . . .	200 00
“ Military Aid, . . . . .	48 00
“ State Aid, . . . . .	30 00
“ Publishing Proceedings at Dedication of Town House, . . . . .	200 00
	<hr/> \$15,403 00

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## Valuation and Assessment for 1893.

Valuation of personal estate taxed, . .	\$1,154,403 00
“ “ real “ “ . . . . .	783,130 00
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Whole valuation, . . . . .	\$1,937,533 00
Rate of taxation \$10.50 per \$1,000.	
No. of polls taxed, 295.	

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Tax assessed in 1893, . . . . .	\$20,931 47
Deduct County Tax, . . . . .	2,286 37
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Amount to be paid Town Treasurer, . .	\$18,645 10
“ received by “ . . . . .	\$16,266 42
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Due on uncollected taxes, . . . . .	\$2,378 68



The Selectmen recommend that the town make and raise by taxation the ensuing year, the following appropriations of money :

For Support of Schools, . . . . .	\$3,500 00
“ School Incidentals, . . . . .	1,000 00
“ Superintendent of Schools, . . . . .	200 00
“ Miscellaneous Expenses, . . . . .	1,500 00
“ Support of Poor, . . . . .	1,000 00
“ Highways and Bridges, . . . . .	4,000 00
“ Library, . . . . .	Dog Tax and 500 00
“ Interest, . . . . .	1,900 00
“ Water Debt, . . . . .	2,000 00
“ Cemeteries, . . . . .	300 00
“ Street Lamps, . . . . .	150 00
“ Village Improvements, . . . . .	200 00
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	\$16,250 00



## Expenditures.

### FOR SCHOOLS.

#### RECEIPTS.

Town appropriation for Schools, . .	\$3,500 00	
Income Massachusetts School Fund, .	139 02	
“ Grammar “ “ .	48 68	
		<hr/> \$3,687 70

#### PAYMENTS.

##### *Centre School.*

Roscoe A. Small, teaching High School, .	\$400 00	
Arthur D. Arnold, “ “ .	421 00	
Bertha Scripture, “ “ .	192 75	
Carrie B. Chapin, “ Grammar dept.	457 60	
Harriette F. Sawin, “ Primary “	325 40	
James L. Chapin & Son, care of house, etc.	76 50	
Garfield & Proctor Coal Company, 19 tons		
15 cwt. coal, . . . . .	120 48	
Zenas G. Smith, teaming coal, . . .	15 00	
H. A. Sherman, teaming scholars, . .	312 00	
John Flinn, “ “ . . . .	234 00	
John Dee, “ “ . . . .	58 80	
		<hr/> \$2,613 53

##### *South School.*

Caroline L. Walker, teaching Grammar		
School 19 weeks, . . . . .	\$228 00	
Lizzie A. Brown, teaching Grammar		
School 19 4-5 weeks, . . . . .	217 80	
Katherine W. Grose, teaching Primary		
School 38 4-5 week, . . . . .	426 80	
James H. Farrar, 2½ cords wood, . .	15 00	
Thomas White, care of house, . . .	32 30	
Garfield & Proctor Coal Company, 27 tons		
20 cwt. coal, . . . . .	170 80	
<i>Amount carried forward, . . . .</i>	<hr/> \$1,090 70	

<i>Amount brought forward,</i>	.	.	.	\$1,090	70
Zenas G. Smith, teaming coal,	.	.	.	22	50
Mrs. Thomas White, washing rooms,	.	.	.	12	00
George Flint, cash for	"	.	.	2	25
Hugh McKinnon, care of house 18 weeks,				30	78
				<hr/>	\$1,158 23

*North School.*

Maude M. Crane, teaching 22 weeks,	.	.	.	\$186	00
Minnie E. Brown, " 15 4-5 weeks,				126	40
Ralph Butcher, care of house 1 year,	.	.	.	15	00
" " washing towels,	.	.	.	1	10
" " cutting 37½ ft. of wood,	.	.	.	4	58
James A. Butcher, hauling wood from East to North School-house,	.	.	.	3	00
James A. Butcher, sawing 1 cord wood,	.	.	.	1	00
" " " cleaning stove twice,	.	.	.	6	00
George N. Bean, one-half cord wood,	.	.	.	3	00
George Flint, 37½ ft. wood,	.	.	.	26	32
				<hr/>	\$372 40
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					\$4,144 16
Receipts brought down,	.	.	.	.	\$3,687 70
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Expended above Receipts,	.	.	.	.	\$456 46

# Incidental and Superintendent Expenditures.

## FOR SCHOOLS.

### RECEIPTS.

Town appropriation, . . . . .	\$1,000 00
Received from State for Superintendent, .	161 37
“ on account of use of piano, . .	8 00
“ for junk . . . . .	6 25
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	\$1,175 62

### PAYMENTS.

#### *Centre School.*

Roscoe A. Small, expressage, . . . . \$	40
Harriette F. Sawin, supplies, . . . .	3 18
Daniel B. Holman, repairs, etc., . . .	18 82
Georgia A. Warren, rent of piano, . .	35 00
N. F. Cousins, repairs, . . . . .	50
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	57 90

#### *South School.*

Caroline A. Walker, fare to Baker's Bridge,	\$2 80
“ “ postage, etc., . . . . .	1 00
Kate W. Grove, fare to Baker's Bridge, .	3 05
“ “ postage, etc., . . . . .	1 10
James H. Farrar, expense and labor for grounds, . . . . .	8 00
E. L. Miner, 2½ days labor, repairs, . .	4 38
“ “ cleaning and repairing clock, . .	1 50
George Flint, cash for washing towels, .	2 10
John Grossman, repairs on bell, fare, etc., .	1 98
Milton, Bradley Co., supplies, etc., . .	4 00
Thomas Coan, cleaning vaults twice, . .	6 00
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	35 91

#### *North School.*

James A. Butcher, 3 towels, . . . . .	50
John McKenzie, repairs, . . . . .	6 25
George Flint, cash for notifying scholars, .	2 00
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	8 75



## SCHOOL SUPERINTENDENT.

L. T. McKenney for services, . . .	\$267 45
Received from State on account of Superintendent, . . . . .	161 37
Expense to town for one year, . . .	<hr/> \$106 08

## GENERAL SCHOOL ACCOUNT.

L. T. McKenney, express, postage, etc., .	\$9 79
Mrs. Dougherty, washing towels, . .	11 25
H. A. Sherman, repairs on wagon, . .	2 00
J. L. Hammett, school supplies, . . .	137 23
Waltham Coal Co., 2 tons coal, . . .	14 50
D. C. Heath & Co., school books, . .	8 35
William Ware & Co., school books, . .	6 60
Lee & Shepard, school books and express, .	5 15
Ginn & Co., " " . . .	55 12
Silver, Burdett & Co., school books and express, . . . . .	14 15
Maynard Merrill & Co., school books, .	7 60
University Publishing Co., school books and express, . . . . .	25 61
S. C. Griggs & Co., school books, . .	5 60
Henry Holt & Co., " " . . .	8 40
Arthur Hinds & Co., " " . . .	9 40
Leach, Sherwell & Sanborn, school books and express, . . . . .	69 65
Thompson, Brown & Co., school books and postage, . . . . .	67
Houghton, Mifflin & Co., school books, .	13 26
American Book Company, " " . . .	10 20
Moses W. Kidder, vaccination of scholars,	41 00
" " cash for supplies and express, . . . . .	42 54
N. F. Cousins, labor and supplies, repairs,	48 26
George F. King, school supplies, . .	18 38
M. L. Hatch, repairs, etc., . . .	16 50
H. McKinnon, repairs on school wagon, .	13 50
<i>Amount carried forward,</i> . . . . .	<hr/> \$594 71

<i>Amount brought forward,</i>			\$594 71
J. W. Staniford & Co., chemical supplies,	.	.	15 82
H. A. Hartley & Co., six shades,	.	.	3 90
A. C. Washburn, labor and supplies, repairs,			35 75
Everett S. Locke,	"	"	51 51
J. A. Burgess, repairs on wagon,	.	.	15 00
George S. Perry, school supplies,	.	.	44 57
Thomas Hall & Son, school supplies,	.	.	4 50
W. C. Hancock, 17 finished keys,	.	.	4 25
George S. Perry, 21 school desks,	.	.	43 40
Henderson Bros., exchange of carriages,	.		115 00
J. T. Maguire, 2½ days labor cleaning school			
house,	.	.	4 37
E. A. Carlisle, Pope & Co., outside windows,			23 86
John Dee, moving furniture from North			
school,	.	.	4 00
James L. Chapin & Son, supplies, express, etc.,			18 58
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			\$979 22
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			\$1,349 23
Receipts brought down,	.	.	\$1,175 62
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Expended above receipts,	.	.	\$173 61

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### Library.

#### RECEIPTS.

Town Appropriation,	.	.	\$500 00
"	"	(Dog tax, 1892)	247 30
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			\$747 30

#### PAYMENTS.

Samuel Hartwell, Treasurer,	.	.	\$747 30
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### Cemeteries.

#### RECEIPTS.

Town appropriation,	.	.	\$500 00
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## PAYMENTS.

Albert E. Wood, surveying, etc., . . .	\$17 70	
LeBosquet Bros., 500 feet pipe, (3 feet long), . . . . .	81 00	
A. B. McDonnell, labor, cement and plaster, . . . . .	50 35	
Edward Bannon, labor, . . . . .	120 30	
Charles S. Smith, labor and freight, . . .	7 50	
H. E. Barnes, labor, . . . . .	4 40	
	<hr/>	\$281 25
Unexpended balance, . . . . .		<hr/> \$218 75

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 Decoration Day.

## RECEIPTS.

Town appropriation, . . . . .	\$25 00
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 Temporary Loans.

## RECEIPTS.

National Bank of the Commonwealth, . .	\$3,000 00	
George Ropes, Treasurer sinking and trust funds, . . . . .	2,000 00	
Warren K. Blodgett, Treasurer Bemis lecture fund, . . . . .	1,000 00	
	<hr/>	\$6,000 00

## PAYMENTS.

National Bank of the Commonwealth, . .	\$3,000 00	
Treasurer of sinking and trust fund, . .	2,000 00	
“ “ Bemis Lecture Fund, . . . . .	1,000 00	
	<hr/>	\$6,000 00

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 Interest.

## RECEIPTS.

Town appropriation, . . . . .	\$1,900 00
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## PAYMENTS.

Interest on water bonds, . . . . .	\$1,800 00	
“ “ loan of Commonwealth bank, . . . . .	76 50	
“ “ “ Treasurer sinking and trust fund, . . . . .	65 00	
Interest on loan of Treasurer Bemis lecture fund, . . . . .	18 50	
	<hr/>	\$1,960 00
Receipts brought down, . . . . .	1,900 00	
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Expended above appropriation, . . . . .	\$60 00	

## Support of Poor.

## RECEIPTS.

Town appropriation, . . . . .	\$1,000 00
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## PAYMENTS.

Daniel H. Sherman, care of John McGrath and tramps for 1893, . . . . .	\$350 00	
Mrs. C. W. Braithwaite, board of Sarah C. Hartwell for year of 1893, . . . . .	169 46	
Worcester Lunatic Hospital, support of Patrick Kenna, Jeremiah Burnett and Mary E. Curry, year of 1893, . . . . .	508 38	
	<hr/>	\$1,027 84
Receipts brought down, . . . . .	\$1,000 00	
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Expenditure above Receipts, . . . . .	\$27 84	

## Military Aid.

## RECEIPTS.

Town appropriation, . . . . .	\$48 00	
Returned from State, Chap. 279, Acts 1889, . . . . .	48 00	
	<hr/>	\$96 00

## PAYMENTS.

Thomas Lynagh, . . . . .	\$96 00	
Edward N. Haynes, . . . . .	118 00	
	<hr/>	\$214 00
Receipts brought down, . . . . .	96 00	
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Expended above Receipts, . . . . .	\$118 00	

## State Aid.

## RECEIPTS.

Town appropriation, . . . . .	\$30 00	
Returned from State, Chap. 301, Acts 1889, . . . . .	96 00	
	<u>          </u>	\$126 00

## PAYMENTS.

Mrs. Alice Wilkinson, . . . . .	\$12 00	
Edward N. Haynes, . . . . .	6 00	
“ “ “ for board to George P. Haynes, 12 6-7 weeks, . . . . .	38 57	
	<u>          </u>	\$56 57
Unexpended balance, . . . . .		<u>\$69 73</u>

## Highways and Bridges.

## RECEIPTS.

Town appropriation, . . . . .	\$5,000 00	
From other sources, . . . . .	37 00	
	<u>          </u>	\$5,037 00

## PAYMENTS.

Road Commissioners' orders, . . . . .	\$4,912 45	
Unexpended balance, . . . . .		<u>\$124 55</u>

Publishing Proceedings at Dedication of  
Town House.

## RECEIPTS.

Town appropriation, . . . . .	\$200 00
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## PAYMENTS.

T. R. Marvin & Son, printing, . . . . .	\$197 00	
John Andrew & Son, old school-house drawing, . . . . .	6 00	
	<u>          </u>	\$203 00
Receipts brought down, . . . . .	200 00	
	<u>          </u>	
Expended above appropriation, . . . . .		\$3 00



## Town House.

## PAYMENTS.

W. L. Rutan, balance of contract, . . .	\$97 37	
A. S. Lowden, storm doors, . . .	95 00	
M. L. Hatch, zinc, lead pipe, etc., and labor repairing water pipes and pro- tecting building over furnaces, . . .	12 35	
Paine Furniture Co., 4 mirrors, . . .	9 40	
Greenwood & Co., 2 wood baskets for office, . . . . .	1 50	
F. A. Walker & Co., 2 pair jamb hooks for office, . . . . .	1 50	
A. W. Wheeler & Co., mattress for lockup, . . .	2 25	
C. F. Hovey & Co., 1 pair blankets for lockup, . . . . .	2 25	
Dover Stamping Co., 1 galvanized bucket for lockup, . . . . .	40	
George Ropes, 100 chairs, . . . . .	20 00	
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## Fire Department.

## PAYMENTS.

Revere Rubber Co., 1,500 ft. hose, . . .	\$825 00	
Henry K. Barnes, 2 hose carriages, pipes, spanners, belts, holders, straps, hy- drant gates, nozzles, . . . . .	138 50	
Fitchburg Railroad, freight, . . . . .	3 54	
Cook Bros., storage of hose carriage, . . .	10 00	
	<hr/>	\$977 04

## Proposed Amendment to Depot Road.

## PAYMENTS.

Charles Mills, plans and specifications, . . .	\$30 50	
Boston Herald, advertising, . . . . .	21 88	
Morning Mail Corporation, advertising, . . .	8 13	
Waltham Free Press, " . . . . .	7 00	
	<hr/>	\$67 51

## Village Improvements.

## RECEIPTS.

Town appropriation,	.	.	.	.	\$200 00
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## PAYMENTS.

Edwin Dutcher, digging stump,	.	.	.	\$1 00	
“ “ 4 days labor,	.	.	.	7 00	
John F. Farrar, labor on sidewalks,	.	.	.	46 50	
D. H. Sherman, “ “	.	.	.	30 00	
Patrick Craven, “ “	.	.	.	11 37	
W. H. Sherman, “ “	.	.	.	6 50	
Nicholas Myatt, “ “	.	.	.	8 75	
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				\$111 12	
Unexpended balance,	.	.	.	.	\$88 88

## Street Lamps.

## PAYMENTS.

## Globe Gas Light Company:

4 iron lamp posts and frames,	.	.	.	\$34 00
4 lanterns,	.	.	.	18 00
5 naptha burner fixtures,	.	.	.	15 00
1 ten gal. can \$1.35, 1 two gal. can 30 cts.,				1 65
3 one gal. cans 70cts. 2 $\frac{1}{4}$ gal. cans 50cts.,				1 20
2 filling measures 80cts., 1 alcohol feeder				
40 cts.,	.	.	.	1 20
1 torch \$5.00, 1 faucet 65 cts., 1 quart				
alcohol 50 cts.,	.	.	.	6 15
296 gallons naptha oil,	.	.	.	24 48
17 lights glass, repairs \$1.70, car fare 80				
cts.,	.	.	.	2 50
5 gasoline barrels at \$1.50,	.	.	.	7 50
1 box glass for lamps,	.	.	.	5 00
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				\$116 68
Credit by Bbls. etc., returned,	.	.	.	3 80
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				\$112 88

Hugh McKinnon, care of lamps at south watertrough, 1 year, . . .	\$10 00	
Edwin Dutcher, care of lamps, . .	15 35	
“ “ cash for supplies, . .	1 67	
T. Wilbur Smith, care of lamps, . .	43 75	
“ “ expressage and cartage, . .	2 65	
Fitchburg Railroad Company, freight, .	1 00	
Samuel Hartwell, cash, repairing frame, .	30	
John F. Farrar, teaming posts and setting, .	2 00	
“ “ top for south lamp, .	2 00	
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		\$78 72
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		\$191 60

### Suit of Hampton vs. Town of Lincoln.

#### PAYMENTS.

Judgment of Court, . . . .	\$750 00	
Samuel Hoar, Esq., Counsel, . . .	250 00	
Dr. Pease, witness fees, . . . .	25 00	
Samuel Hartwell, services and fees, .	25 00	
John F. Farrar, “ “ . . .	10 00	
Lorenzo E. Brooks, “ “ . . .	10 00	
Jahleel B. Sherman, witness fees, .	5 50	
George H. Bean, “ “ . . .	5 90	
Richard Bean, “ “ . . .	2 90	
Wm. H. Butcher, “ “ . . .	2 90	
Mrs. Etta Mayer, “ “ . . .	5 90	
John R. Hartwell, “ “ . . .	5 90	
Albert E. Wood, “ “ . . .	3 30	
Roger Sherman, services and witness fees, .	10 00	
D. H. Sherman, “ “ “ “ . . .	10 00	
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		\$1,122 30

### Miscellaneous Expenses.

#### RECEIPTS.

Town appropriation, . . . .	\$1,500 00	
Rent of halls, . . . .	60 00	
Court returns, fines, etc., . . . .	37 63	
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		\$1,597 63

## PAYMENTS.

James H. Farrar, services as truant officer,	\$1 00
Geo. E. Crosby & Co., 400 Town Reports,	70 00
“ “ “ “ warrants, . . .	7 00
“ “ “ “ posters, etc., . . .	4 50
Horgan, Robey & Co., picture frame, . .	5 00
Garfield & Proctor Coal Co., 13 tons, 10 cwt. coal, . . . . .	82 35
Z. G. Smith, teaming and housing coal, . .	13 25
R. B. Somers, 700 tax bills, . . . . .	3 00
Michael Ward, setting rings in wall, . .	2 50
E. W. Russell, labor and shellac, (1889) .	2 00
John P. Lovell Arms Co., pair hand cuffs,	4 00
“ “ “ “ “ leather club, . . .	2 00
“ “ “ “ “ Smith & Wes- son revolver, . . . . .	12 00
John P. Lovell Arms Co., holster and cartridges, . . . . .	1 40
Lincoln Water Works, water service 2 years Town Hall, . . . . .	20 00
Lincoln Water Works, 1 yr. 3 water troughs	60 00
“ “ “ “ Centre School, . . . . .	14 00
“ “ “ “ South “ . . . . .	14 00
Sherman Hoar, services and record of deeds exchanged with Ogden Codman,	6 30
William Hall & Co., 2 keys, . . . . .	50
Louis Mayer, $\frac{1}{2}$ cord oak wood, . . . . .	3 25
James H. Farrar, services as Assessor, . .	50 00
“ “ “ “ “ Constable, . . . . .	7 00
L. E. Brooks, services as Constable, . . .	8 50
South Lincoln Hall Co., use of hall three times for registration, . . . . .	6 00
Little, Brown & Co., Mass. Pub. Stats., .	4 25
“ “ “ “ “ “ “ supplement, . . . . .	2 85
Little, Brown & Co., Hitchcock on Sheriffs,	4 00
Thomas Groom & Co., 1,000 bill heads, . .	4 00
“ “ “ “ Coll'et'r's cash book, . . . .	1 50
<i>Amount carried forward,</i> . . . . .	<u>\$416 15</u>

<i>Amount brought forward,</i>	\$416 15
Thomas Groom & Co., town order book,	8 00
Thomas Coan, watching Driscoll fire, (1892)	2 00
John F. Farrar, Inspector of cattle, etc.,	60 00
Edward Bannon, labor on common and lane to reservoir,	11 69
Cook Brothers, 2 shovels,	80
John R. Hartwell, watching after fire,	2 00
“ “ “ labor on common and fence,	5 00
John R. Hartwell, services as truant officer,	5 00
Charles S. Wheeler, collecting taxes for 1892, \$19,164, at 1½ per cent.,	287 46
Charles S. Wheeler, Collector, abatement of 25 poll taxes in 1893,	50 00
Edwin Dutcher, services as Constable 13 nights at Bemis Hall,	26 00
Edwin Dutcher, warning Town Meeting,	5 00
Wm. L. G. Peirce, services as Inspector,	4 00
Thomas L. Giles, “ “ “	4 00
John R. Hartwell, “ “ Deputy In- specter,	2 00
T. Wilber Smith, services as Deputy In- specter,	2 00
Bradley & Hubbard Mfg. Co., lamp globes for Town House,	7 85
N. F. Cousins, repairs at Town House,	2 00
William Barrett, Agt., insurance on South School House,	40 00
William Barrett, Agt., insurance on Centre School building,	57 75
Samuel Hartwell, cash for sundry articles as per bill dated Dec. 1, 1893,	14 98
Samuel Hartwell, labor, time, etc., as per bill dated Dec. 1, 1893,	8 92
James H. Farrar, services as School Com- mittee,	25 00
<i>Amount carried forward,</i>	<hr/> \$1,047 60



<i>Amount brought forward,</i>	\$1,047 60
Samuel Hartwell, services as Selectman,	75 00
“ “ “ “ Overseers of	
Poor,	25 00
Samuel Hartwell, services as Registrar,	10 00
“ “ postage and stationery	5 00
“ “ fixtures for pictures,	48
“ “ cutting brush in road,	2 00
Moses W. Kidder, services as School Com-	
mittee,	50 00
George Flint, services as School Commit-	
tee, etc.,	30 00
George L. Chapin, care of Town House,	125 00
“ “ “ extra on account of	
dances,	13 00
George L. Chapin, cash for washing	
windows,	11 55
James L. Chapin & Son, supplies for	
Town House,	9 49
James L. Chapin & Son, telephone,	30
James L. Chapin, services as Town Clerk,	39 25
“ “ “ “ “ Registrar,	15 00
“ “ “ express and postage,	4 00
Charles S. Smith, services as Assessor,	100 00
“ “ “ cash for books and ex-	
press, etc.,	4 60
Charles S. Smith, cash for advice and	
expense,	45 00
Wm. L G. Peirce, services as Auditor,	10 00
“ “ “ fare to Boston twice,	1 00
H. E. Barnes, returning 17 deaths,	4 25
Arthur W. Kidder, services as Selectman,	
etc.,	35 00
Arthur W. Kidder, services as Constable,	25 00
“ “ “ express,	1 00
John F. Farrar, services as Selectman,	60 00
“ “ “ “ “ Overs’r of Poor,	25 00
“ “ “ “ “ Registrar,	10 00
<i>Amount carried forward,</i>	\$1,783 52



## Recapitulation.

SELECTMEN'S ORDERS FROM FEB. 1, 1893, TO FEB. 1, 1894.

For Schools and Superintendent,	\$5,493 39
Library,	747 30
Cemeteries,	281 25
Temporary Loans,	6,000 00
Interest,	1,960 00
Support of Poor,	1,027 84
Military Aid,	214 00
State Aid,	56 57
Highways and Bridges,	4,912 45
Publishing Proceedings, Dedication,	203 00
Town House and Furnishing,	242 02
Fire Department,	977 04
New Depot Road,	67 51
Village Improvement,	111 12
Street Lamps,	191 60
Miscellaneous Expenses,	1,932 15
Law Suit, Hampton vs. town of Lincoln,	1,122 30
Amount of Selectmen's Orders,	<u>\$25,539 54</u>

## Statement of Expenditures

FROM FEB. 1, 1883 TO FEB. 1, 1884.

For Schools,	\$2,567 54
Library,	324 85
Support of Poor,	750 00
Cemetery,	5 75
Highways and Bridges,	3,247 56
Interest on Water Debt,	1,800 00
Miscellaneous expenses, not including an abate- ment of tax on \$100,000, of \$650,	774 96
	<u>\$9,470 66</u>

## RECEIPTS DURING THE YEAR NOT RAISED BY DIRECT TAXATION.

From Corporation Tax, . . . .	\$2,400 99
National Bank Tax, . . . .	1,387 42
Foreign Ships, . . . .	215 56
Income Mass. School Fund, . .	139 02
“ Grammar School Fund, . .	48 68
State on account of Superintendent of Schools, . . . .	161 37
State on account of Military aid, .	48 00
“ “ State aid, . . . .	96 00
Central Dist. Court, for fines, etc.,	37 63
On account of Highways, . . .	37 00
Use of Halls, . . . .	60 00
Use of Piano, . . . .	8 00
Sale of Junk, . . . .	6 25
County of Middlesex for Dog Tax, .	247 30
	<hr/> \$4,893 22

EXPENDITURES DURING THE YEAR NOT RAISED BY DIRECT  
TAXATION.

For Schools and Superintendent, . .	\$993 39
Library, (Dog Tax), . . . .	247 30
Support of Poor, . . . .	27 84
Interest, . . . .	60 00
Publishing proceedings dedication, .	3 00
Miscellaneous expenditures, . .	432 15
Military aid, . . . .	166 00
State aid, . . . .	26 57
Town House and Furnishing, . .	242 02
Fire department, . . . .	977 04
New road, . . . .	67 51
Street Lamps, . . . .	191 60
Suit, Hampton v. Town of Lincoln, .	1,122 30
	<hr/> \$4,556 72
Surplus other than by direct taxation, .	\$336 50

## Jury List.

The following names are presented to the Town by the Selectmen, from which to supply Jurors for the ensuing year, from this Town :

Herbert W. Farrar,	J. Walter Nelson,
George H. Hoar,	Roger Sherman,
George Ropes,	S. Rodman Snelling,
Charles S. Smith,	Martin M. Welsh,
Charles S. Wheeler,	Lorenzo E. Brooks,
Clarence A. Brooks,	James H. Farrar,
Edward F. Flint,	Thomas L. Giles,
George F. Harrington.	

SAMUEL HARTWELL,	} <i>Selectmen</i>
JOHN F. FARRAR,	
ARTHUR W. KIDDER,	
	<i>of</i>
	<i>Lincoln.</i>

Lincoln, Feb. 13, 1894.

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### Report of Committee to Purchase Coal.

The Committee appointed to purchase coal for Town purposes, report as follows :

Bought of Garfield & Proctor Coal Co.				
For Town House,	13 tons 10 cwt.	} at \$6.10 long	ton, delivered at	
" Centre School,	19 " 15 "			} depot at Lincoln.
" South "	27 " 20 "			
" Library,	12 " 10 "			
" Water works about	100 " Cumberland	at \$4.00 and \$4.10		
per ton, at Lincoln.				

SAMUEL HARTWELL,

For the Committee.



## Report of Hose Company No. 2.

Hose Company No. 2, located at South Lincoln, is composed of the flower of the young men of that part of the town, comprising as it does every available man of suitable age and physical ability. The Company has organized for the most effective service, and has chosen the following officers: Foreman, Everett L. Miner; assistant foreman, Charles S. Eveleth; clerk, Thomas L. Giles.

The Company obtained permission to use the hydrants for practice and turned out twice with that end in view, but the condition of the hydrants was such as to make it rather discouraging work, so practice has been discontinued.

This Company hopes to be able to put out any fire that may occur in the vicinity of either of the three hydrants in South Lincoln if it is within the bounds of human possibility to make the hydrants work.

THOMAS L. GILES, *Clerk.*

## Report of the Cemetery Committee.

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The cemeteries have been cared for in a general way, so as to make them neat and attractive as we believe they should be kept. In years past many of the headstones have become loosened and have in many cases fallen over. The Committee have had them all reset, and nothing they have done improves the general appearance so much.

In the new cemetery iron stakes for lot boundaries have been purchased and set in place of the wooden stakes originally set, which had rotted and fallen over, so that in many cases it was impossible to locate the lots.

The small pond near the entrance has been dug out and enlarged and will, when completed, add much to the natural beauty of this site. Some trees have been removed and many more have been trimmed. Roadways have been dug over, grass mowed, and many other things done, which will be permanent improvements.

The Committee understand and appreciate better than formerly the duties and responsibilities of their position, and although they do not spend the full amount of the appropriation made, yet they recommend that the same amount be continuously appropriated. A detailed statement of expenses will be found under the head of "Cemeteries," in the Selectmen's Report.

HENRY C. CHAPIN,	} Cemetery Committee.
JAMES L. CHAPIN,	
JOHN TASKER,	
HERBERT E. BARNES,	
CHARLES S. SMITH,	

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### REPORT OF THE TREASURER OF THE CEMETERY COMMITTEE.

Received of J. L. Chapin, former Treasurer,	.	.	\$60 00
"    from sale of three lots at \$20 each,	.	.	60 00
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Cash on hand, total receipts,	.	.	\$120 00

Bills have been sent to parties who have taken lots, amounting to \$130 more,

CHARLES S. SMITH, *Treasurer.*

# ASSESSORS' REPORT FOR 1893.

## VALUATION MAY 1, 1893.

Real Estate, . . . . .	\$780,310 00
Personal Estate, . . . . .	1,154,403 00
Total, . . . . .	\$1,934,713 00
Additions to Real Estate, . . . . .	2,820 00
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	\$1,937,533 00
Abatements, Real Estate, . . . . .	1,750 00
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	\$1,935,783 00

## TAXES.

State Tax, . . . . .	\$2,800 00
County Tax, . . . . .	2,286 37
Town Grants, . . . . .	15,403 00
Gain in Fractions, . . . . .	37
Overlayings, . . . . .	404 12
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	\$20,893 86
Additional tax on Real Estate, . . . . .	29 61
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	\$20,923 47
Abatements, Real Estate, . . . . .	18 37
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	\$20,905 10

Number of polls, 293 Male, 2 Female.

Rate of Taxation per \$1,000, \$10.50.

## ASSETS.

## LIABILITIES.

School Houses, . . .	\$17,000 00	Water Bonds, . . .	\$30,000 00
Library and Books, .	33,000 00		
Other Public Buildings,	25,000 00		
Cemeteries, . . .	5,000 00		
Water Works, . . .	40,000 00		
Fire Apparatus, . .	1,000 00		
Trust Funds, . . .	36,094 00		
Sinking Fund, . . .	8,347 00		
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	\$165,441 00		\$30,000 00

Assets over liabilities, \$135,441.00.

## PROPERTY EXEMPTED.

Library and Books, . . . . .	\$33,000 00
First Parish, . . . . .	27,800 00
Unitarian Congregational Society, . . . . .	3,050 00
St. Anne's Episcopal Society, . . . . .	3,150 06
South Hall Corporation, . . . . .	900 00

A table showing the Valuation, Tax, Tax Rate, etc., since the year 1860:

Year	No. Polls	Value Personal Estate	Value Real Estate	Amount of Tax.	Rate per \$,1000	No. Houses	No. acres Land
1861	203	\$ 159,233	\$385,660	\$4,069 53	\$6 66	125	8842
1862	205	149,695	392,445	5,137 14	8 46	128	8842
1863	199	185,756	394,215	6,798 41	10 80	128	8842
1864	204	98,117	397,041	8,277 74	15 54	130	8842
1865	200	162,680	399,481	9,359 68	15 54	129	8844
1866	198	185,855	398,865	6,725 99	10 44	129	8844
1867	202	196,149	398,930	7,633 99	11 80	131	8844
1868	203	199,915	401,601	5,120 73	7 50	132	8844
1869	206	210,479	403,147	6,876 63	10 20	135	8842
1870	213	227,931	411,631	11,545 62	17 00	136	8844
1871	239	237,627	421,455	10,612 80	15 00	138	8844
1872	231	380,860	531,425	10,740 85	10 90	139	8844
1873	217	257,085	533,287	11,639 69	13 70	145	8844
1874	235	251,797	551,827	12,702 16	14 70	146	8713
1875	250	226,816	548,972	12,391 73	14 90	147	9130
1876	256	231,077	557,713	23,921 66	17 00	154	8976
1877	269	217,572	566,038	12,684 07	15 50	157	8977
1878	254	215,302	563,074	11,016 21	13 50	155	8977
1879	362	193,749	567,259	7,373 00	9 00	157	8957
1880	257	326,748	565,839	6,583 72	6 80	159	8840
1881	264	363,677	564,344	6,906 16	6 00	159	8834
1882	257	709,160	565,366	8,803 11	6 50	156	8845
1883	278	586,407	582,186	9,671 02	7 80	160	8867
1884	287	518,676	587,201	12,075 12	10 40	160	8905
1885	284	467,079	602,890	5,703 85	4 80	163	8913
1886	284	697,448	609,320	12,067 56	8 80	164	8946
1887	296	782,085	619,995	12,089 02	8 20	170	8963
1888	282	1,000,792	629,485	10,671 67	6 20	170	8973
1889	299	751,340	633,760	17,357 65	12 10	171	8978
1890	310	890,603	649,085	13,547 38	8 40	177	8973
1891	276	1,839,382	678,095	14,897 12	5 70	180	8970
1892	283	1,704,793	704,230	18,623 18	7 50	183	8970
1893	295	1,154,403	780,310	20,893 86	10 50	187	8970

As has already been noticed, the tax rate is much higher this year than the previous year, a result which was inevitable, which was caused by a reduced valuation, and by a larger appropriation.

It will be noticed in the above table that there has not been a year, with one exception, for more than thirty years when as much money has been raised as the past year, and in that year, 1876, the rate per \$1,000 was \$17. No one can deprecate a high rate of taxation more than the Assessors, but the money appropriated must be assessed, and a pertinent question for each citizen to ask himself is, Is it economy to appropriate as much, and do we get value received?

The coming year will probably show a further decrease in valuation which, with the same or an increased appropriation, will of course augment the rate. Your Assessors have in the last two years spent a good deal of time and some money in looking after matters pertaining to assessments and taxes, more especially in the line of Corporation and Bank taxes, and in the last two years have secured for the benefit of the Town more than fifteen hundred (\$1,500) dollars, whereas in the years from 1882 to 1891 there was lost to the Town each year, in Corporation and Bank taxes, a sum varying from \$500 to \$1,000, aggregating more than six thousand (\$6,000) dollars, which sum would now pay nearly one-third of the net debt of the Town and save an assessment of at least \$3.00 on each \$1,000 of valuation. While not strictly in the line of our report, it may not be improper as the Water Bonds mature the current year, to suggest that one thousand (\$1,000) dollars be raised by direct tax, and that one thousand (\$1,000) dollars be taken from the Corporation and Bank tax, which this year amounts to upwards of four thousand five hundred (\$4,500) dollars, and use the same to pay the debt. This plan would retire the entire debt in about ten years without any great burden of tax.

CHARLES S. SMITH,	} Assessors of Lincoln.
JAMES H. FARRAR,	



## Report of Superintendent of Streets.

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The money appropriated by the town for the repairs of Highways and Bridges for the past year has been expended as follows; Superintendent of Streets, \$300; Snow work, \$973; North Great road, \$483; Virginia road, \$80; Turnpike, \$93; road from Mr. L. E. Brooks to North Great road, \$45; near Mr. Geo. Flint's, \$70; from Hay Scales to top of hill, \$250; from Brick House to Library and at watering trough, \$97; from Mr. S. H. Pierce's to corner near watering trough, \$95; from Mr. Woolley's to Mr. J. A. Hunter's, \$68; from Mr. J. Spencer's to East Schoolhouse, \$30; from East Schoolhouse to Whitney's corner, \$190; County road from Weston to Lexington, \$76; road from Weston to Plain road, \$115; on Depot road from Mr. W. L. G. Pierce's to Dr. Chapin's, \$90; Tower road, \$38; road from South Great road to Concord, \$304; South Great road, \$430; the new road from Mr. J. F. Farrar's to Mr. Benjamin Giles', \$82; road from Haynes' corner to Wayland, \$120; scraping roads and gathering up stones, \$98; cutting brush beside roads, \$38; Guide Boards, \$8; Culverts, \$65; Paving gutters, \$99; for Paving Stones and Sand for Pavers, \$70; relaying pipe in cement down through cemetery near Town Hall, \$112; lumber and labor on Lee's Bridge, \$84; gravel, \$98; tools, \$25; repairs on tools, \$20; and other general repairs, etc., \$166.45; Making a total of \$4,912.45.

The Guide Boards are in very good condition at the present time, there having been seventeen new boards put up the past year.

Below will be found a statement of receipts and payments.

DANIEL H. SHERMAN,

*Superintendent of Streets.*

## RECEIPTS.

Town appropriation,	.	.	.	.	.	\$5,000 00
Lumber sold,	.	.	.	.		\$27 00
Cash on account paving,	.	.	.	.		10 00
					<hr/>	\$5,037 00

## PAYMENTS.

Feb.	16.	John Maguire,	as per bill,	\$11 08
	16.	Owen Martin,	" "	11 37
	16.	J. W. Rooney,	" "	21 00
	16.	James Corrigan,	" "	7 00
	23.	C. S. Wheeler,	" "	8 36
	28.	John Maguire,	" "	4 37
Mar.	6.	John F. Farrar,	" "	18 63
	7.	W. H. Sherman,	" "	16 85
	7.	E. McHugh,	" "	3 50
	10.	Geo. H. Hoar,	" "	4 66
	13.	John R. Hartwell,	" "	175 00
	14.	Michael Murphy,	" "	12 25
	16.	Con Bernard,	" "	21 58
	16.	John Ryan,	" "	4 47
	17.	D. W. Dougherty,	" "	8 75
	18.	Anthony Dempsey,	2d, "	13 42
	18.	W. D. Hunter,	" "	12 13
	18.	F. M. Dempsey,	" "	12 45
	20.	Anthony Dempsey,	" "	9 14
	20.	Wheeler Bros.,	" "	19 07
	20.	W. J. Conway,	" "	5 25
	21.	John Flynn,	" "	29 92
	21.	Roger Sherman,	" "	99 07
	21.	Wm. Hosey,	" "	4 83
	22.	M. & R. Ellsworth,	" "	28 29
	22.	Samuel Hartwell,	" "	27 75
	22.	Frank E. Ehlert,	" "	11 55
	22.	W. H. Sherman,	" "	23 47
	23.	D. H. Sherman,	" "	58 00
	27.	M. D. Spencer,	" "	6 12
	27.	John F. Farrar,	" "	12 25
	30.	Z. G. Smith,	" "	5 00
	30.	T. L. Giles,	" "	20 25
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*Amount carried forward,* . . \$726 83

<i>Amount brought forward,</i>			\$726 83
Mar.	30.	James Roach, as per bill,	11 40
	30.	David Marden, “	5 25
April	4.	A. S. Brooks, “	16 75
	6.	S. R. Snelling, “	50 45
	6.	E. C. Browning, “	10 62
	16.	L. E. Brooks, “	73 51
	21.	J. W. Rooney, “	14 00
	22.	W. H. Sherman, “	96 10
	27.	Anthony Dempsey, “	10 50
	28.	Roger Sherman, as per bill,	94 00
	29.	John F. Farrar, “ “	80 62
	29.	John Coan “ “	30 33
	29.	Patrick Craven, “ “	28 58
	29.	John Ryan, “ “	25 37
May	4.	James Flynn, “ “	5 72
	14.	J. W. Rooney, “ “	23 91
	16.	John Coan, “ “	12 39
	16.	S. R. Snelling, “ “	72 63
	16.	Trugart Cunnart “ “	7 38
	17.	Roger Sherman, “ “	129 00
	17.	John Ryan, “ “	12 39
	19.	Geo. P. Haynes, “ “	21 67
	19.	Harry N. Haynes, “	16 14
	23.	W. D. Hunter, “ “	9 15
	27.	John Maguire, “ “	35 58
June	9.	Anthony Dempsey, 2nd,	11 27
	12.	John Dee, “ “	2 18
	12.	Patrick Craven, “ “	32 08
	16.	Thomas Maguire, “	24 88
	17.	John F. Farrar, “ “	85 83
	17.	D. H. Sherman, “ “	410 88
	24.	Patrick Craven, “ “	19 44
July	5.	A. A. Libby & Co., “	90 88
	12.	E. R. Farrar, “ “	19 00
	15.	James H. Farrar, “	19 00
	15.	N. Myett, “ “	33 66
	15.	W. Ryan, “ “	81 37
Aug.	1.	N. Gilbert, “ “	1 75
	8.	W. H. Sherman, “ “	238 25
	9.	Berlin Iron Bridge Co.,	7 50

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*Amount carried forward,* . . \$2,698 24

<i>Amount brought forward,</i>			\$2,698 24
Sept. 12.	C. J. Harvey,	as per bill,	19 75
22.	Buttrick Lumber Co.,	"	76 61
22.	Patrick Craven,	" "	29 16
28.	D. H. Sherman,	" "	286 25
30.	Michael Ward,	" "	12 50
30.	Michael Cuff,	" "	2 00
Oct. 2.	T. Howard Barnes,	"	6 50
14.	Roger Sherman,	" "	177 04
10.	Simon Myett,	" "	17 31
21.	Charles Glidden,	" "	7 87
24.	J. A. Hunter,	" "	6 55
25.	John Kennedy,	" "	16 50
28.	N. Myett,	" "	39 08
Nov. 2.	Patrick Craven,	" "	35 58
2.	G. F. Frost & Co.	" "	5 60
15.	Patrick Craven,	" "	14 00
17.	Thomas Bahan,	" "	12 25
25.	Roger Sherman,	" "	80 75
27.	Richard Delhanty,	" "	39 96
27.	Anthony Dempsey,	" "	14 00
27.	Geo. M. Baker,	" "	7 18
28.	Patrick Craven,	" "	14 00
28.	J. T. Laird,	" "	8 75
29.	James Hutton,	" "	7 00
Dec. 1.	M. C. Baldwin,	" "	6 00
2.	John F. Farrar,	" "	185 25
2.	N. Myett,	" "	37 91
4.	John Maguire,	" "	53 37
4.	Owen Martin,	" "	44 62
4.	W. H. Sherman,	" "	160 25
6.	W. Ryan,	" "	84 87
6.	Patrick Craven,	" "	4 67
7.	John R. Hartwell,	" "	21 00
7.	John Flynn,	" "	15 37
12.	Michael Ward,	" "	8 75
14.	E. C. Browning,	" "	39 12
16.	W. F. Baker,	" "	26 00
20.	D. H. Sherman,	" "	381 78
20.	Geo. R. Wheeler,	" "	8 45
26.	N. Gilbert,	" "	7 00
<i>Amount carried forward,</i>			\$4,718 84

<i>Amount brought forward,</i>			\$4,718 84
Jan.	1.	T. F. Ham, as per bill,	4 37
	1.	Geo. P. Haynes, " "	5 00
	1.	Mrs. D. Haynes, " "	6 25
	1.	E. Dutcher, " "	3 50
	1.	Michael Murphy, " "	1 60
	1.	J. P. Taylor, " "	5 76
	1.	R. F. Wright, " "	12 70
	26.	F. A. Hayden, " "	15 00
	28.	Michael Cuff, " "	4 37
	30.	F. & C. S. Smith, " "	13 00
Feb.	1.	James L. Chapin & Son,	
		as per bill,	11 25
	5.	John R. Hartwell, as per bill,	26 21
	10.	F. & H. Bamforth, " "	2 12
	10.	Gardner Moore, " "	8 42
	10.	J. A. Burgess, " "	9 50
		A. A. Libby & Co., " "	8 60
	10.	D. H. Sherman, " "	55 96
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			\$4,912 45
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Unexpended balance,			\$124 55

## REPORT OF ADVISORY COMMITTEE ON ROADS.

*To the Voters of the Town of Lincoln :*

Your Advisory Committee on Roads, appointed two years ago was not prepared to report at the last annual town meeting, but would now present the following report :

We have noticed with unusual satisfaction the recent general awakening of the public mind in regard to the subject of good roads, and approve most cordially the action of our state legislature in the appointment of a board of commissioners for inquiry and instruction relative to the building and maintaining of good roads. It is unqualifiedly asserted by an eminent



and reliable authority that "the common roads of the United States are inferior to those of any other civilized country. Their faults are those of direction, of slope, of shape, of surface and generally of deficiency in all the attributes of good roads." And he pertinently adds, "The roads of a country are accurate and certain tests of the degree of its civilization." There is but one other subject of greater importance, viz.: good schools. The first facilitate our travel on the material plane; the second, upon the intellectual plane. The lack of knowledge concerning road building, and of wisdom in its application, is estimated to cost the people of this commonwealth an average of one thousand dollars per year per town, in money profitlessly spent, while the loss to the people in the use of badly constructed roads and roads needing repair is beyond computation.

Your committee is fully convinced of the great economy of stone roads for our principal thoroughfares, and gravel, screened at the pit, using only such gravel as will not go through a quarter inch mesh or sixteen to the square inch, and leaving in the pit the finer material, as it is of no value upon the roads. It is already worn out, and it is a waste of the cost of hauling and spreading upon the roads. Our town is fortunate in the abundance of good material; why should we not learn to use it to the best advantage? We have, on the way to Weston, a half-mile of road built upon a stone foundation that will never require any outlay beyond occasional light surfacing of gravel. In every instance where stone is liberally used as a foundation we have a permanently good road. It now costs us to maintain our roads in their present condition \$4,000, annually; in ten years \$40,000 and interest at 3 per cent average \$12,000 more, in all \$52,000.

At the end of ten years we are practically where we began, unless within that time we have built some permanent roads. Is it not therefore advisable to begin *now* the reconstruction of our principal roads upon a more enlightened plan than that heretofore generally pursued?

Your committee would recommend an intelligent survey of all our principal roads by a professional civil engineer, whose advice as to opening new or closing old roads, cutting the hills and filling the hollows, should be respectfully considered. Also that all public roads be named, classified into three or more classes as to the extent of use, divided into sections, and the sections

numbered so that each section may be charged with its own repairs, and a record kept of the labor and of the material used; also of the number of the gravel pit from which the material is taken. Only in this way can we hope to make any substantial progress in the art. We may thus profit by our experience.

It is apparent to every careful observer that there is a choice as to the season or condition of the roads when repairs should be made to be most profitable to the town. Commendable wisdom is shown in some of our adjoining towns in filling the wheel-ruts and puddles with gravel after a rain, and rolling it down with a plain roller. There are many places in our roads that can never be made right without underdraining; putting gravel on the surface in these places is a waste and no remedy. Water should not be allowed to gather and stand by the roadside to soften the road as it does in many places.

The State Commission on common roads, in commenting on the importance of wide tires upon wheels of carts and wagons for heavy loads, states that there is no use in increasing them beyond three and a half inches for roads properly constructed. But what should be the width for roads *not* so constructed? That is the practical question for us today. In the construction and repair of our roads those who walk seem to be either forgotten, or to have no rights which the road-maker is bound to respect. The space allotted for the roadway is generally ample for the road and a side-walk upon one side, with a gutter between. This is a matter greatly needing attention.

Regarding the necessary apparatus for use in road building we believe a good roller is first in importance, and next a stone-crusher. With these wisely used we may have the best material and the best roads at the lowest cost.

Respectfully submitted by

M. W. KIDDER,  
S. H. PIERCE,  
L. E. BROOKS.

## Town Clerk's Report.

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For the year past ending Jan. 1, 1894, there have been registered

13 Births,  
5 Marriages,  
10 Deaths,

a list of which will be found following this report.

There have been 110 Dogs licensed,  
95 males,  
15 females,

for which \$243 has been paid to the County Treasurer.

Respectfully submitted by

JAMES L. CHAPIN, *Town Clerk.*

LINCOLN, Feb. 8, 1894.

## BIRTHS REGISTERED.

Date of Birth.	Name of Child.	Name of Father.	Name of Mother.
Jan. 18, 1893. " " "	Charley Lincoln Flemming. Herbert Weston Flemming. } Twins	John D.	Mary J.
Mar. 3, "	George Edwin Rice.	George L.	Margaret.
Nov. 22, 1892.	Audrey Vaughn Bemis.	Charles L.	Mary P.
Apr. 2, 1893.	John Anthony Burgess.	John A.	Laura.
Apr. 15, "	Browning.	Edgar C.	Lillian.
July 2, "	Samuel Roy Butcher.	William H.	Fanny M.
Aug. 2, "	(Still Born) Connors.	Michael.	Mary.
Aug. 4, "	Frances Dempsey.	Edward.	Winnifred.
Sept. 24, "	Louis John Gilbert.	Napoleon.	Agnes.
Sept. 27, "	Leslie Newell Miner.	Everett L.	Catharine V.
Oct. 13, "	Margaret Dempsey.	Frank M.	Mary.
Oct. 25, "	Francis Barnard Sargent.	Charles O.	Mary G.

Whole number of births registered, . . . . .	13
Males, . . . . .	10
Females, . . . . .	3

*Nativity of Parents.*

United States, . . . . .	14
Nova Scotia, . . . . .	7
Ireland, . . . . .	2
England, . . . . .	1

## MARRIAGES REGISTERED.

Date of Marriage.	Names.	Age.	Residence.
Mar. 6, 1893. {	Frederick W. Wienschenk.	23	Cambridge.
	Mary E. Sawin.	21	Lincoln.
Apr. 20, " {	Edward Fiske.	28	Weston.
	Ethel W. Kidder.	25	Lincoln.
Aug. 30, " {	Arthur W. Patterson.	27	Lincoln.
	Edith Mae Morse.	21	Wayland.
Sept. 2, " {	Fred B. Caldwell.	30	Northfield.
	Mary Lizzie Cousins.	25	Lincoln.
Sept. 5, " {	Edward E. Bradley.	31	Lincoln.
	Sarah A. W. Phillips.	35	Andover.

Whole number of Marriages registered, . . . . . 5.

## DEATHS REGISTERED.

Date of Death.	Names.	Age. Y. Mo. D.	Cause of Death.
Feb. 5, 1893.	Annis E. Barnes.	70 3 10	Apoplexy.
" 5, "	John B. Sawin.	66 9	Suffocation in a Burning Bldg.
" 9, "	Herbert W. Flemming.	21	Bronchitis.
Apr. 22, "	Michael Shine.	73	Dementia.
June 25, "	William Coughlin.	33 3 18	Suffocation—Strong Drink.
Aug. 2, "	Katherine Connors.		Still Birth.
" 23, "	John F. Dodge.	57 3 25	Paralysis—Intestinal Nephritis.
Nov. 6, "	Ethel W. Fiske.	26 23	Puerperal.
Dec. 7, "	Wilson Cheney.	83 6	Influenza.
Dec. 19, "	Henry J. Richardson.	64 5 25	Influenza.

Whole number of deaths registered, . . . . . 10  
 Males, . . . . . 7  
 Females, . . . . . 3



## WATER COMMISSIONERS' REPORT.

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The Water Commissioners respectfully submit the following report:

The condition of the Water Works shows an improvement. The changes that have been made have increased the efficiency of the plant, and if the Commissioners can make a few improvements every year, it will enable us to do even better work. The pumps are old and have seen many years of hard service, and when compared with the pumps of the present day, with their advantages and facilities, perhaps it is not economy to run them many years longer. There have been two leaks in the main pipe the past year. We are able to report an increased number of faucets.

Owing to the depression in business, the Fitchburg Railroad Company is not using as much water as it first intended, but we have been informed by the engineer of the road that when business improves the Company will take double the amount it now uses.

The increased demand for water brings with it an increase of expenses, such as more coal room, extra hydrants and more time consumed in pumping. It also requires more care and demands more attention in the management. The capacity of the new coal-shed is about one hundred and fifty tons. It was built in the most thorough and substantial manner with concrete floor. We have put in six new hydrants, the expense of setting which was large on account of the difficulty of attaching a cast iron T on to a cement-lined pipe. It is not very encouraging for us to put in hydrants for the benefit of the town, and not receive any compensation. It is customary in other towns to allow the water works something for the privilege of using them when required.

We would recommend the laying of a six inch pipe from the main pipe near the drinking fountain, running in an easterly direction about eight hundred feet, to a point near the cemetery.

The commissioners were authorized to extend the water pipe from Farnsworth's Corner to a point near the house of John Tasker, and to the Burnham estate. We did not feel warranted in making the extension as we were informed that there would not be enough money received from the corporation and bank tax to meet the expense; also the fact that we were unable to learn from the people living on the proposed line whether enough would take the water to warrant us in making the extension.

The meter put in at the Fitchburg Railroad station did not prove satisfactory, it being too large for the amount of water used, so we were obliged to take it out and put in its place a two inch Crown meter, which is doing good service. We have also put in three half inch meters where we were not able to make satisfactory rates and are receiving from them at the rate of thirty cents per thousand gallons.

We have now a set of tools so that in the future the repairing can be done at a less expense.

Several new gate boxes have been put in, and other repairs which have been made will appear in the detailed report.

In accordance with a vote of the town, we purchased fifteen hundred feet of hose and two hose carriages and the appliances. One carriage is located in the south part of the town, and the other in the centre.

We have received several complaints concerning the pollution of the water in the immediate vicinity of the pumping station, and charges have been made that we cannot supply the town with pure water when cattle are allowed free access to the waters of the pond bordering on the highway. Therefore, we recommend that the town purchase or take the land lying between the pumping station and the southwest corner of the pond near the highway, bounded by the highway and the pond. We think it eminently fit and proper that the town should possess this parcel of land.

LEONARD W. WESTON,	}	<i>Water Commissioners.</i>
GEORGE L. CHAPIN,		
ARTHUR W. KIDDER,		
SAMUEL HARTWELL,		
CHARLES S. WHEELER,		

The following are the receipts and expenditures for the year :

# RECEIPTS.

Balance on hand, Feb. 1, 1893,	.	.	\$	76	58
Water rates received,	.	.	.	1166	85
Received from Fitchburg R. R. Co.,	.	.	.	1285	00
Interest,	.	.	.	6	29
					<hr/> \$2,534 72

# PAID.

John Ryan, labor on trench,	.	.	.	\$	18	38
Fitchburg Railroad Co., freight,	.	.	.	101	69	
James T. Laird, pumping,	.	.	.	482	74	
James T. Laird, extra labors on repairs,				7	75	
National Meter Co, 3 meters $\frac{1}{2}$ inch,	.	.	.	42	75	
National Meter Co., 2 inch meter,	.	.	.	55	50	
Waltham Water Works, supplies,	.	.	.	49	93	
Waltham Water Works, supplies,	.	.	.	45	26	
Thomas Flannery, labor on hydrant and repairs,	.	.	.	7	69	
Chapman Valve Mfg. Co., 6 hydrants,	.	.	.	177	89	
Chapman Valve Mfg. Co., 2 combination wrenches,	.	.	.	5	00	
Star Brass Mfg. Co., repairing counter	.	.	.	3	75	
Walworth Mfg. Co., pipe vise,	.	.	.	9	00	
J. W. Rooney, labor ou trench,	.	.	.	2	63	
Zenas G. Smith, teaming coal,	.	.	.	93	58	
Holmes & Blanchard, labor and stock putting on counter,	.	.	.	28	77	
American Steam Gauge Co, repairs on water gauge,	.	.	.	2	00	
Walworth Mfg. Co., service boxes and supplies,	.	.	.	14	23	
Garfield & Proctor Coal Co., 275,150 lbs. Cumberland Coal,	.	.	.	498	82	
King & Goddard, 1 Holyoke hydrant	.	.	.	32	00	
King & Goddard, service boxes and supplies,	.	.	.	12	13	
King & Goddard, melting furnace and tools	.	.	.	22	10	
King & Goddard, lead, charcoal etc.,	.	.	.	9	35	

King & Goddard, hydrant wrenches, . . .	\$2 00	
Hersey Mfg. Co., repairs on meter, . . .	3 90	
J. F. Jones & Co., oil, . . . . .	16 00	
Edward Bannon, digging out hydrant, . . .	2 62	
James T. Laird, 6 cords pine wood, . . .	30 00	
American Express Co., Express, . . . .	4 80	
Nelson Iby, stone work on coal shed, . . .	9 00	
Albert Washburn, carpenter work on coal shed, . . . . .	139 00	
W. W. Hays, concrete, . . . . .	88 00	
J. A. Burgess, labor on rods for coal shed, . . .	6 75	
Dodge, Haley & Co., rods, . . . . .	6 56	
Buttrick Lumber Co., lumber for coal shed, . . .	251 34	
Braman, Dow & Co., labor & supplies, . . .	23 32	
James L. Chapin & Son, supplies from Jan. 1, 1890, to Jan. 1, 1894, . . . . .	35 39	
John Steede, setting hydrants, . . . . .	13 11	
L. W. Weston, labor on coal shed and hydrants, . . . . .	100 00	
	<hr/>	\$2,454 73
Balance on hand Feb. 1894,		\$79 99

Water rates due and uncollected, . . . \$216 04

Stock on hand Feb. 1, 1894, besides the tools :

1 new Chapman Hydrant.

1 Holyoke hydrant, sent to be repaired.

About 35 tons Cumberland coal.

# Report of the Commissioners of Sinking and Trust Funds.

GEORGE ROPES, *Treasurer Commissioners Sinking and Trust Funds,*  
*In Account with the Sinking Fund.*

1893.	DR.		
Feb. 10.	To cash in Old Colony Trust Co.,		\$847 37
April 8.	“ received, Conn. & Passumpsic R. R. bond,		
	principal and interest,		1,035 00
“ “	“ “ Interest Mary M. Ropes mortgage		
	note 6 mos.,		62 50
“ “	“ “ Interest Bond No. 171 of Fitchburg		
	R. R. Co.,		35 00
May 2.	“ “ Interest James H. Farrar, mortgage		
	note 6 mos.,		82 50
“ “	“ “ Interest Old Colony Trust Co.,		20 36
Oct. 17.	“ “ “ “ “ “		2 88
“ “	“ “ 6 mos. Interest James H. Farrar,		
	mortgage note,		82 50
“ “	“ “ On account of principal James H.		
	Farrar, mortgage note,		100 00
Nov. 6.	“ “ Interest Bond No. 171 of Fitchburg		
	R. R. Co.,		35 00
“ “	“ “ 6 mos Int. Mary M. Ropes, mtge.		
	note,		62 50
“ 8.	“ “ On acct. principal James H. Farrar,		
	mortgage note,		400 00
“ 21.	“ “ Payment note Town of Lincoln,		1,035 00
Jan. 3.	“ “ “ “ “ “		1,030 00
			<u>\$4,830 61</u>

1893.	CR.		
April 1.	By cash loaned the Town of Lincoln,		\$1,000 00
May 2.	“ “ “ “ “ “		1,000 00
Feb. 2.	“ “ in O. C. Trust Co.,		2,830 61
			<u>\$4,830 61</u>

The present investment of this fund is as follows :

Bond No. 171, Fitchburg R. R. Co., 7 per cent. interest due April 1, 1894,	\$1,000 00
James H. Farrar's note, April 21, 1884, 5 years, interest at 5½ per cent. per annum, secured by mtge. on estate in So. Lincoln,	2,500 00
Mary M. Ropes' note, Sept. 11, 1891, 3 years at 5 per cent. per annum, secured by mortgage on estate in Arlington and Winchester,	2,500 00
Cash in Old Colony Trust Co.,	2,830 61
	<u>\$8,830 61</u>

E. & E. O.  
 Lincoln, Feb. 4, 1894.

GEO. ROPES, *Treasurer.*



GEORGE ROPES, *Treasurer Commissioners Sinking and Trust Funds,*

IN ACCOUNT WITH

*The George Russell Legacy to the Lincoln Library.*

1893.	DR.	
Feb. 6.	To cash in Old Colony Trust Co.,	\$32 75
1894.		
Feb. 2.	“ 2 dividends 7 shares Fitchburg R. R. Co.’s preferred stock,	28 00
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		\$60 75
1894.	CR.	
Feb. 2.	By cash in the Old Colony Trust Co.,	\$60 75
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The present investment of this Fund is as follows, viz.:

John Landahl’s farm consisting of northeast $\frac{1}{4}$ of section 8, Township 130, Range 61. Whole acreage 160 (upland 153, meadow 7). Mortgage foreclosed on which the Globe Investment Company has a claim of \$128.34,	\$325 00
Seven shares of Fitchburg R. R. Co. preferred stock, value	560 00
Cash Old Colony Trust Co.,	60 75
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	\$945 75
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E. & O. E.

Feb. 2, 1892.

GEO. ROPES, *Treasurer.*

GEORGE ROPES, *Treasurer Commissioners Sinking and Trust Funds,*

IN ACCOUNT WITH

*George G. Tarbell Legacy to the Lincoln Library.*

1893.	DR.	
Feb. 14.	To 6 months interest, Caroline A. Nye mortgage note,	\$25 00
June 2.	“ “ “ “ C. H. Stratton “ “	45 00
July 3.	“ Boston & Lowell R. R. dividend, 8 shares,	28 00
“ “	“ West End R. R. Co., dividend, 13 shares,	26 00
Aug. 19.	“ 6 months interest, Caroline A. Nye mortgage note,	25 00
1894.		
Jan. 2.	“ Boston & Lowell R. R. dividend, 8 shares,	28 00
“ “	“ West End R. R. Co. dividend, 13 shares,	26 00
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		\$203 00

1893.	Cr.	
April 15.	By cash paid Sam'l Hartwell, Treas. Lincoln Library,	\$25 00
July 3.	" " " " " " " "	54 00
Nov. 23.	" " " " " " " "	70 00
1894.		
Feb. 2.	" " " " " " " "	54 00
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		\$203 00
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The present investment of this Fund is as follows, viz.:

Caroline A. Nyes's note, Feb. 4, 1890, 5 years' int. at 5 per cent per annum, secured by mtge. on estate on Garden St., Boston,	\$1,000 00
C. H. Stratton's note, June 15, 1891, 2 years' int. at 6 per cent per annum, secured by mortgage on Farm in Lincoln,	1,500 00
8 shares Boston and Lowell R. R. stock, cost,	1,455 50
13 shares West End R. R. Co.'s preferred stock, cost,	1,139 39
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	\$5,094 89
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E. & O. E.

Feb. 2, 1894,

GEO. ROPES, *Treasurer.*

W. K. BLODGETT, TREASURER, *in account with the* GEO. F. BEMIS  
LECTURE FUND.

Dr.

	Cash on deposit as per report Jan. 1, '93	\$1,229 23
Jan., Apr., July & Oct.	Dividends Boston & Albany R. R. . .	160 00
Jan. & July	" Boston & Lowell R. R. . .	350 00
Jan., Apr., July & Oct.	" Boston & Providence R. R. . .	200 00
Mch., July & Oct.	" Old Colony R. R. . .	116 67
Jan. & July	" Fitchburg R. R. . .	80 00
Jan. & July	" West End St. R. R. . .	132 00
Jan., Apr., July & Oct.	" Bell Telephone Co. . .	366 00
Feb. 11.	Town Lincoln Reflectors . . .	10 65
Apr. 17.	6 Rights Bell Telephone (to income) . .	62 82
July & Dec.	Interest Boston Safe Deposit & Trust Co. .	29 65
Nov. 8.	Loan from Town of Lincoln. . .	1,000 00
	Interest on town loan . . .	18 50
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		\$3,755 52

## CR.

Jan.	L. H. Vincent lecture . . . . .	\$35 00
	Wm. Everett . . . . .	51 00
Feb.	J. W. Dickinson . . . . .	25 00
	Banjo Club . . . . .	60 40
	Rev. Fr. Conaty . . . . .	50 00
Mch.	J. J. Lewis . . . . .	50 00
	C. A. Grossman . . . . .	25 00
	Rev. H. J. Richardson . . . . .	25 00
Apr.	Edward W. Emerson . . . . .	25 00
June	Geo. H. Flint . . . . .	25 00
July	Philharmonic club . . . . .	100 00
Aug.	Mr. Harris . . . . .	25 00
Oct.	Quintette Club . . . . .	120 00
	Mr. Ryan . . . . .	70 00
	N. Y. Philharmonic . . . . .	100 00
	Mr. E. G. Porter . . . . .	30 00
Nov.	Geo. Riddle . . . . .	185 00
	Mme. C. E. Mountford . . . . .	140 00
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## LINCOLN LIBRARY, TREASURER'S REPORT.

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February 1st, 1893.

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						James L. Chapin & Son, oil, etc.,	.	.	.	.	8 67
						Mirror, \$4.85; wood basket, \$4.00,	.	.	.	.	8 85
						for sundries,	.	.	.	.	30 81
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SAMUEL HARTWELL, *Treasurer.*

## Auditor's Report.

Your Auditor has performed the duty assigned him, and has examined the books and accounts of all Officers and Committees of the town, entrusted with the receipt, custody or expenditure of money, and also all bills and vouchers on which moneys have been paid from the treasury, and found them correct.

W. L. G. PEIRCE, *Auditor.*

## REPORT OF THE TRUSTEES OF THE PUBLIC LIBRARY.

LINCOLN, February 10, 1894.

The Trustees of the Public Library submit the Report of its Treasurer, and the statistical report of its Librarians, also a list of new books purchased during the year.

## STATISTICS OF LINCOLN PUBLIC LIBRARY.

No. of volumes in Library, . . . . .	5,113
“ “ added past year, . . . . .	353
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Two bites at cherry. Aldrich, T. B. ....	1023.20	Winterborough. White, E. O. ....	1024.5
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ANNUAL REPORT

OF THE

SCHOOL COMMITTEE

OF THE

TOWN OF LINCOLN,

FOR THE

SCHOOL YEAR 1893-94.





## Report of the School Committee.

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In compliance with the statute of the Commonwealth, Chap. 46, Sec. 8, the School Committee of the Town of Lincoln present the following report, together with the report of the Superintendent, upon the condition of the public schools of the town, and their action in charge of the same for the year 1893.

The membership of the Board has changed within the year by the retirement of Messrs. Wheeler and Codman and the election of Messrs. Kidder and Farrar. The superintendent of last year is still with us. Considerable change in our corps of teachers has occurred. Mr. Small, principal of the High School, Miss Walker of the South Grammar School, and Miss Crane of the North School resigned at the close of the spring term. Their successors were Mr. A. D. Arnold, principal of the High School, Miss L. A. Brown of the South Grammar School, and Miss M. E. Brown at the North School.

### HIGH SCHOOL.

This school was in charge of Mr. R. A. Small, as principal, through the winter and spring terms, and of Mr. Arthur D. Arnold through the autumn term,—Miss Bertha Scripture assisting as teacher through the year. This school is not in a condition entirely satisfactory to your committee, and never ought to be, until the system of grading now generally recognized as indispensable to the best results is adopted. The admission of classes to this school which ought to remain another year in the lower schools is detri-

mental ; multiplying studies and classes that ought to be, and usually are, left out of a High School course.

Your committee and superintendent are in perfect agreement as to the great value and indispensable importance of the *practical* study of Physics and Chemistry in this school, and have urged the work forward as far as their means of demonstration would permit. The lack of proper apparatus for demonstration is a serious bar to substantial progress. The study of Physics, without the proof of personal experiment, is too much like a hungry man reading of a feast while he starves on husks in the shadow of abundance.

#### CENTRE SCHOOL.

This is and always has been a mixed school, having the primary and grammar pupils in a principal room connected with a small recitation room. This arrangement, with so many different classes and studies, inevitably tends toward confusion and unwarrantable wear of the teachers. With such an addition to the Centre school-house as would give us another room, the necessary grading could be accomplished. It would greatly simplify the labor of the teachers if each could have a separate room with a fair division of the pupils. The experiment of closing the East School, and transferring the pupils to the Centre School, has proved so great an advantage that we have decided to close the North School, and carry the pupils to the Centre from the beginning of the winter term.

This will make a very large school, and only as a temporary expedient is the step taken, until better accommodation is provided. We were led unwillingly

to make this change at this time, because of the very great difficulty, nay, impossibility, of retaining a teacher in the North School whose service would be of any substantial value. No suitable boarding place near the school could be found for the teachers with which they would be content. Such frequent changes of teachers in this school have been disastrous, but unavoidable.

It is to be specially noted that one of the chief advantages and uses of the public school is in bringing children of various natures and dispositions together in considerable numbers, that they may wear off their peculiarities and learn to live and work together in harmony, so as to make them to be peace and order loving citizens. This cannot be readily secured in so small a school as the North School, situated as that has been, and we feel confident of the approval of this action by all, who have the good of all in view.

The furnace for heating the Centre school-house has not proved so satisfactory as we were assured it would by those who put it in. Some complaint has reached us from the pupils, of insufficient warmth; this has been quite exceptional, however. We have extended the conduit for the supply of fresh air for heating and ventilation through the basement, from west to east, which is giving good results. This, with the application of outside windows, will add greatly to the comfort of the house. There is coal enough burned to warm this house abundantly, but by much urging of the fire a very large percentage of the heat produced is lost by the chimney. With any enlargement of the house, and consequent demand for additional heating facilities, the introduction of the hot-water

method would be advisable upon every account, rather than another hot-air furnace. The provision for ventilation of the lower room is quite inadequate for so large a number of pupils; we have, however, improved it somewhat by slight alterations recently made.

With the considerably increased numbers in the Centre School, the necessity for a proper playground for the pupils becomes imperative. If it is not provided the lawns about the church and town hall will suffer inevitable destruction, while the windows in all contiguous buildings will be constantly in danger. The annoyance from noise of a hundred children at play would be much reduced, to the relief of the neighborhood, by this needful provision.

#### SOUTH GRAMMAR AND PRIMARY SCHOOLS.

The change of the teacher in the Grammar department, at the commencement of the last term, we are assured was no disadvantage to the school. In both departments the work is pursued under the very great advantage of division of the pupils into two properly graded rooms, quite distinct and independent of each other.

Within the year scarlatina has visited one family in the south part of the town, thus excluding all the children of that household from school for a time. Fortunately there was no extension of the disease. Measles invaded the North School in the last winter, causing an interruption and closure of the school for several days. The law requiring vaccination of all children in the public schools has been faithfully obeyed, and this measure of protection from a loathsome disease afforded to about forty pupils.



Recently your committee was invited to meet and confer with the committees of three other towns in the present superintendency district, for the consideration of a proposition to reduce the number of schools now in charge of our superintendent; the present number being forty. After the matter was fully explained and understood it was unanimously.

*Voted*, That it was expedient for these four towns to withdraw from the present district union, and reunite as a new and more compact district having but twenty-seven schools. The contribution from the State Fund to the smaller district will remain the same as now paid to the larger district. The salary of the superintendent will also remain the same, while his time and service will be increased to each of the four towns about thirty-eight per cent., beside the time saved in traveling over the larger district. The committees represented in this convention were advised and requested to bring this matter before the next town meeting in their several towns for approval.

Voting, First to withdraw from the present union, and then voting to form with the other three towns a new district. Your School Committee having no further probable use for the East and North school-houses would suggest the advisability of selling them, as they will soon require repairs or rapidly go to waste.

Finally, your committee would ask that the appropriation by the town for the schools be marked with such liberality as indicates a full appreciation of the importance and value of general education.

GEORGE FLINT,  
MOSES W. KIDDER,  
JAMES H. FARRAR.



## Superintendent's Report.

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*To the School Committee of Lincoln :*

GENTLEMEN:—My third annual report of the schools of this town is herewith presented to you, and through you to the citizens of Lincoln.

Under similar conditions the results of school work cannot differ greatly one year with another; although under a good system with proper management and efficient teachers, each year's work ought to show some improvement over the preceding. Not simply that each pupil should learn something during the year—should make some intellectual growth. This is to be expected of course. But this is not enough. If Lincoln schools are to keep step with the march of educational progress, the pupils must make *more* advancement this year than last,—the intellectual product of our schools must be *larger* for 1893, than it was for 1892: and we ought not to be satisfied unless it is. Has it been?

I have closely observed the work during the year, and after carefully comparing it with last year's results, I am confident that we have made progress. This is shown in several ways. First, in the results secured along the new lines of work.

In the latter part of the summer term an educational exhibit, of work, below the high school, including nature study, language work, work in geography and drawing, was held in Boston, under the auspices of the New England Association of Educational Workers, to which this, and other towns in this district

contributed. The exhibit from this district was very creditable, compared well with that from other places, and received favorable comment from leading educators of the state.

Although the South Grammar School did not furnish anything for the exhibit, the Lincoln contribution was fair in quantity, and equal in quality with that from the other towns in this district, and reflected credit on the work of our teachers. It was good evidence of progress, in that it showed better results in these lines of work than could have been produced a year ago. Another and better evidence of improvement is the increased interest and better industry of the pupils in all the schools.

Success is won by work, whether by the business man in the bank or by the scholar in school. And the best possible indication of real improvement — true success in our schools — is this growing inclination of the pupils to *work*.

#### TEACHERS.

Three changes of teachers have occurred during the year, all at the beginning of the fall term, as indicated in the table of statistics. This is in marked contrast to the eight changes recorded in my report two years ago, and, I believe the results secured have been more satisfactory in an inverse ratio to the number of these changes.

Our teachers are ambitious not only to maintain a prominent position among their co-workers in the Commonwealth, but to make our schools as good as any having equal advantages; and they are sparing neither of time nor strength in their efforts to this

end. Industry is the price of progress. To get pupils to work is the chief means to the great end of mental development, and there is no power so potent in inducing pupils to work as the example of an industrious teacher. The contagious spirit of industry is nowhere so likely to become epidemic as when carried into the school-room by the teacher. I believe our teachers have realized this, as manifested in the good, loyal work they have done, to which is due the gratifying results of the year. The teacher makes the school. The superintendent and committee do not. They furnish material, tools, and plan, but the teacher must rear the intellectual structure. In spite of all that management and money can do, *without good teachers we cannot have good schools.*

The end of teaching is not knowledge simply. It is knowledge, and, more important, mental development, and, most important, the formation of good character. In securing this threefold result, normal training and knowledge of methods are worth much. But breadth of mind and largeness of heart are worth more.

Not all teachers apprehend the true end of teaching or possess the essential qualities to secure it. We have some who do, and that the town appreciate their worth is evinced in its large and liberal way of dealing with them.

#### NEEDED CHANGES.

The changes suggested in my first report have been made with consequent good results.

A supply room has been provided in the boys upper hall in the Centre school building. This has relieved the crowded and inconvenient condition of the High School recitation room, and this room has been

arranged for experimental work in the sciences. Another change is now suggested that seems to me to be an absolute necessity.

Owing to the fact that it was impracticable, if not impossible, to conduct a successful school in the north part of the town, the committee have wisely closed that school and arranged to transport the pupils to the Centre, where they may enjoy as good instruction as other children in town. This arrangement places about seventy pupils in one room, and that room is not large enough to give each pupil as much space as the law requires, and will not probably be allowed by the state authorities only as a temporary arrangement. Even if it should, it is unfavorable to the best work. Here are now two schools, a grammar and a primary, under the general direction and discipline of one teacher, while under the instruction of two. Both teachers could do much better work, if each had her own school by itself.

Pupils ought to remain in the grammar schools until they have finished the eighth year work, instead of going to the High School at the end of the seventh year, as has been the custom. This is necessary to the best results in the High School. But such a plan would still further increase the number of pupils in the lower room. It is evident, therefore, that another school-room ought to be provided at the Centre if the best results are to be secured, and it should be done before the opening of the schools next fall.

### HIGH SCHOOL.

The High School has been conducted under more favorable conditions this year than last, and has done correspondingly better work. The same assistant has



remained during the year and there has been but one change of principals. Another advantage already referred to is the improvement in the recitation room, providing for experimental work in teaching the sciences. The work can now be so conducted that it is possible for pupils to get a real knowledge of natural forces and their laws, by personal investigation through their own observations and experiments, instead of merely memorizing some things that some one else has discovered.

The new course of study is being entered upon as fast as pupils can be brought into definite classes. It may admit of some profitable modification, but in some form should be carefully followed, so that pupils may pass up by classes, taking up subjects of study in logical order, and graduate when they have completed a definite course. There seems to have been no definite course followed in the past, and not much method in the lines of studies pursued; pupils being allowed to study about what they pleased, and to come and go when they pleased, without knowing whether they had got through the High School or not, or when they were prepared to go elsewhere. The High School has done some good work in the past, but I believe better results would have been secured had a more systematic plan been pursued.

The work has been very much hindered by irregular attendance. Pupils come in late in the fall term, some come only during the winter term, and many leave during the last half of the summer term. I believe that, to require pupils to pursue a definite course of study and graduate when the course is completed, will have a strong tendency to improve the school in this respect.



The eight years of lower school work should be done in the lower schools, and not the last year of it, in the High School as at present. The best results cannot be secured in either school while this plan continues.

I believe that the High School should be brought to as high a degree of excellence as possible, not only for the benefit of those who attend it, but for its stimulating influence in the lower schools. The grammar school pupils ought to regard the High School as a desirable goal to be reached, and an institution whose diploma is worth earning.

#### ATTENDANCE.

The North School was closed for several weeks last winter on account of measles. But with this exception, our pupils have not been afflicted with any prevailing epidemic or widespread sickness that has materially affected the attendance, and yet while the attendance has improved in the past two years, it is still not as good as ought to be.

Parents sometimes complain because their children are not promoted, claiming that they are as bright as those who are promoted, and the claim is often true. But an examination of the teacher's register generally reveals the fact that these children have lost much time from their school work. It is obvious that children cannot make much progress in study unless they attend school. No one can do so much to improve the attendance as the parents; and if they wish their children to keep up with their classes, they ought to see that they are regular and prompt in their school attendance. The teacher, too, may do much to

improve the attendance. This is shown in the improvement in the South Schools, which has been especially marked in the South Grammar School during the fall term, increasing from about 80 per cent. in the preceding term to over 93 per cent.

This report has been prepared in the midst of a busy year, in connection with five others for other towns, and, while it is but an imperfect expression of the condition, work, and needs of the school, I trust it will be of sufficient interest to the citizens of the town to justify the time spent in its preparation.

I wish to express my gratitude to the people of Lincoln for their encouragement and support in the execution of my duties, I desire also to express my high appreciation of the loyalty of the teachers and the earnestness with which they have devoted themselves to their work.

I thank the committee for their continued manifestation of confidence in me and for the deference shown to my opinions.

Respectfully submitted,

LEWIS T. MCKENNEY,

*Superintendent of Schools.*

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## STATISTICS.

Number of children enumerated in town, May 1,	
1893, between the ages of 5 and 15 years, as	
returned by the assessors,	151
Number of children enrolled in the public schools,	197
Number of children enrolled under 5 years of age,	0

Number of children enrolled over 15 years of age,	20
Number of children enrolled between 5 and 15 years of age,	177
Number of children enrolled between 8 and 14 years of age	92
Number of school-houses occupied,	3
Number of school-rooms occupied,	6

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## ROLL OF HONOR.

### PUPILS NEITHER ABSENT NOR TARDY.

#### TWO TERMS.

Mary H. Downey,	Caroline E. Ehlert,
Ida B. Farnsworth.	

#### ONE TERM.

#### HIGH SCHOOL.

Mary E. Cook,	Alfred P. Jackson,
Ida B. Farnsworth,	Edith F. Whitney,
Louis L. Whitney,	

#### SOUTH GRAMMAR.

Michael Boyce,	Herbert Farrar,
Caroline E. Ehlert,	Andrew Rooney,
Mary E. Ehlert,	Walter Thompson,
Ida B. Farnsworth,	Lillie Watson.

#### SOUTH PRIMARY.

Willie Burgess,	George Cook,
Emmonds Cook,	Mary H. Downey.

# TABLE OF STATISTICS.

SCHOOL.	TERM.	TEACHER.	Enrollment.	Average member-ship.	Average daily at-tendance.	Per cent. of daily at-tendance.	Pardisances.	Visits of Citizens.	Visits of Committee.	Visits of Su-perintendent.	Teachers' Salary per month.	Length of term in months.
High .....	Winter ....	Roscoe A. Small.....	28	26.28	23.38	88.97	26	8	4	4	\$84 20	3 1
	"	Bertha Scripture, Ass't..										
	Spring. ....	Roscoe A. Small.....	24	20.23	17.92	88.58	21	10	2	6	84 20	2 1
	Fall. ....	Bertha Scripture, Ass't..	34	32.87	29.94	91.92	12	13	14	9	84 20	4
Centre .....	Winter ....	Bertha Scripture, Ass't..	51	45.74	37.89	82.69	11	7	3	3	48 00	3
	"	Harriette F. Sawin, Ass't										
	Spring. ....	Harriette F. Sawin, Ass't	51	42.33	37.00	87.50	32	7	4	5	48 00	2 1
	Fall. ....	Harriette F. Sawin, Ass't	53	45.43	41.16	90.25	29	6	6	8	48 00	4
S. Grammar...	Winter ....	Caroline L. Walker.....	31	29.25	25.46	87.04	23	14	3	2	48 00	3
	Spring. ....	Caroline L. Walker.....	28	24.42	19.47	79.73	4	27	13	4	48 00	2 1
	Fall. ....	Lizzie A. Brown.....	29	26.61	24.85	93.39	30	12	5	4	44 00	4
	Winter ....	Kate W. Grose.....	33	29.60	26.88	90.00	19	10	3	2	44 00	3
S. Primary....	Spring. ....	Kate W. Grose.....	34	29.87	27.73	92.70	7	31	13	4	44 00	2 1
	Fall. ....	Kate W. Grose.....	33	31.38	27.87	88.81	6	7	6	5	44 00	4
	Winter ....	Maudie M. Crane.....	28	21.28	15.94	74.95	62	2	2	3	32 00	2 1
	Spring. ....	Maudie M. Crane.....	26	23.02	18.77	81.53	60	12	5	5	32 00	2 1
North.....	Fall. ....	Minnie E. Brown.....	22	16.50	14.54	88.12	45	10	6	5	32 00	3 1

## SUMMARY.

High .....	.....	Changed during year ...	30	26.36	25.65	89.82	59	31	20	19	.....	9 1
Centre.....	.....	Bertha Scripture, Ass't }	66	44.50	38.68	86.81	72	20	13	16	.....	9 1
S. Grammar....	.....	Harriette F. Sawin, Ass't	34	26.76	23.26	86.72	57	63	21	10	.....	9 1
S. Primary....	.....	Changed during year ...	41	30.28	27.49	90.25	32	48	22	11	.....	9 1
North .....	.....	Kate W. Grose.....	26	20.60	16.42	81.53	167	24	13	13	.....	8 1
Total, 1893 .....	.....	Changed during year ...	197	14 1/2	132	87.08	387	196	89	69	.....	

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# TOWN OFFICERS FOR 1894-95.

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## *Moderator at Town Meetings.*

CHARLES S. WHEELER.

## *Town Clerk.*

JAMES L. CHAPIN.

## *Selectmen.*

SAMUEL HARTWELL,

JOHN F. FARRAR,

ARTHUR W. KIDDER.

## *Overseers of Poor.*

JOHN F. FARRAR,

SAMUEL HARTWELL,

ARTHUR W. KIDDER.

## *Board of Health.*

ARTHUR W. KIDDER,

JOHN F. FARRAR,

SAMUEL HARTWELL.

## *Assessors.*

CHARLES S. SMITH,

GEORGE ROPES,

\* JAMES H. FARRAR.

## *Treasurer and Collector of Taxes.*

CHARLES S. WHEELER.

## *Auditor.*

WILLIAM L. G. PEIRCE.

## *Constables.*

EDWARD BANNON,

LORENZO E. BROOKS,

\* JAMES H. FARRAR,

FRANK M. DEMPSEY.

## *School Committee.*

\* JAMES H. FARRAR.

EDWARD R. FARRAR,

Term expires 1895.

MOSES W. KIDDER,

“ “ 1896.

GEORGE FLINT,

“ “ 1897.

## *School Superintendent.*

L. T. MCKENNEY.

*Water Commissioners.*

LEONARD W. WESTON, . . . .	Term expires 1895.
GEORGE L. CHAPIN, . . . .	" " 1896.
JOHN F. FARRAR, . . . .	" " 1897.
SAMUEL HARTWELL, Chairman of Selectmen, <i>ex-officio</i> .	
CHARLES S. WHEELER, Town Treasurer, <i>ex-officio</i> .	

*Field Drivers.*

HENRY F. BARNES.	SAMUEL FARRAR.
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*Fence Viewers.*

SAMUEL FARRAR.	GEORGE L. CHAPIN.
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*Surveyors of Lumber.*

N. F. COUSINS,	EDWARD R. FARRAR,
GEORGE F. HARRINGTON.	

*Measurers of Wood and Bark.*

EDWARD R. FARRAR,	FRANCIS J. KIDDER,
WALTER F. BAKER,	T. WILBER SMITH,
H. W. PRATT.	

*Commissioners of Trust Funds.*

GEORGE ROPES, . . . .	Term expires 1895.
JULIUS E. EVELETH, . . . .	" " 1896.
SAMUEL H. PIERCE, . . . .	" " 1897.

*Cemetery Committee.*

CHARLES S. SMITH, . . . .	Term expires 1895.
JOHN TASKER, . . . .	" " 1896.
HENRY C. CHAPIN, M. D., . . . .	" " 1897.
HERBERT E. BARNES, . . . .	" " 1898.
JAMES L. CHAPIN, . . . .	" " 1899.

*Registrars.*

SAMUEL HARTWELL,	JOHN F. FARRAR,
ARTHUR W. KIDDER,	JAMES L. CHAPIN.

*Trustees of Lincoln Public Library.*

GEORGE G. TARBELL, M. D., President.

SAMUEL H. PIERCE.	JOHN F. FARRAR.
SAMUEL HARTWELL, Chairman of Selectmen, <i>ex-officio</i> .	
GEORGE FLINT, Chairman of School Committee, <i>ex-officio</i> .	



*Trustees of Bemis Fund for Free Public Lectures.*

GEORGE ROPES,

GEORGE FLINT.

JULIUS E. EVELETH.

*Trustees of Grammar School Fund.*

CHARLES S. WHEELER.

EDWARD C. FOSTER.

HERBERT E. BARNES.

*Sexton.*

\* EDA B. BARNES.

*Committee to Purchase Coal.*

SAMUEL HARTWELL,

LEONARD W. WESTON,

GEORGE M. BAKER.

*Public Improvement Committee.*

CHARLES F. ADAMS.

GEORGE ROPES,

SAMUEL H. PIERCE.

APPOINTED BY SELECTMEN.

*Superintendent of Streets.*

DANIEL H. SHERMAN.

*Sealer of Weights and Measures.*

JAMES L. CHAPIN.

*Janitor of Town Hall.*

GEORGE L. CHAPIN.

*Fire and Forest Fire Wardens.*

CLARENCE A. BROOKS.

CHARLES S. SMITH.

\* JAMES H. FARRAR.

*Inspectors of Provisions and Animals.*

CHARLES S. SMITH.

\* Deceased.

# WARRANT.

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## COMMONWEALTH OF MASSACHUSETTS.

MIDDLESEX, SS.

*To Lorenzo E. Brooks, or either of the Constables of the Town of Lincoln, in said County,* GREETING :

In the name of the Commonwealth of Massachusetts, you are hereby required to notify and warn the Inhabitants of the town of Lincoln, duly qualified to vote in town affairs, to assemble at the Town Hall, on Monday, March fourth, next, at one o'clock P. M., to act on the following articles, viz.:

ARTICLE 1. To choose a Moderator to preside at said meeting.

ART. 2. To hear the reports of Town Officers, and all other persons whose duty or privilege it is to make reports at this meeting, and enact anything in relation to said reports the Town shall think proper.

ART. 3. To choose all necessary Town Officers, Committees, Commissioners and Trustees.

ART. 4. To enact anything in relation to the Jury List prepared by the Selectmen.

ART. 5. To see if the Town will revoke its acceptance of the provisions of the acts of the year 1889, Chapter 98, and accept the provisions of Sections 74, 75, 76 and 77, of Chapter 27 of the Public Statutes of Massachusetts, and choose Three Road Commissioners, one for one year, one for two years and one for three years, or take any action in the matter the Town shall think proper.

ART. 6. To appropriate money for all necessary and expedient purposes of the Town, and enact anything in relation thereto.

ART. 7. To give in their votes by ballot in answer to the question: "Shall licenses be granted for the sale of intoxicating liquors in this Town?"

The check list shall be used, as provided by Section 5, Chapter 100 of the Public Statutes.

ART. 8. To determine the manner of collecting taxes, also the compensation of the Collector for the ensuing year.

ART. 9. To see if the Town will authorize their Treasurer, under the direction of the Selectmen, to borrow money in anticipation of taxes of the current year, and to be paid therefrom.

ART. 10. To see if the Town will cause, by its vote, all appropriations, hereafter made by said Town, in excess of one thousand dollars, to be made at the annual Town Meeting in March or April.

ART. 11. To see if the Town will enlarge the Centre School-house, borrow and appropriate money for the same, and appoint a Building Committee to take charge of the work, and see that it is done before the first of September, 1895, as recommended in the report of the School Committee.

ART. 12. To see if the Town will provide land for a suitable Play Ground, for the pupils of the Centre School.

ART. 13. To see if the Town will purchase and own teams, for use upon the roads, and other Town work, or enact anything in reference thereto.

ART. 14. To see if the Town will appoint a Committee, to give names to all the Public Roads in Town,

and section and number each section, with a designating number, for reference.

ART. 15. To see if the Town will authorize the Selectmen to erect a fence on the land of any abutter upon the new road to South Lincoln lately laid out by the County Commissioners, provided such abutter shall release the Town from all claims for damages, awarded by the Commissioners, or other damages, and to act thereon and appropriate money therefor.

ART. 16. "To see if the Town will appropriate a sum sufficient to place a marker of the Society of the Sons of the American Revolution at the grave of each revolutionary soldier or sailor buried in this Town, the expense not to exceed one dollar each."

ART. 17. To see if the Town will choose a Committee to erect a monument with suitable inscription thereon; to designate the place where Paul Revere was captured on his memorable ride to Concord to warn the inhabitants of the movement of the British Regulars on the night of April 18th, 1775, and any other spot of sufficient historic interest, and appropriate money therefor, or take any action thereon.

ART. 18. To see if the Town will extend the Water Pipes down the Tower Road as far as Joseph Underwood's, or take any action in relation to the matter, and provide money to pay for the same.

ART. 19. To see if the Town will cause the road from Mrs. Campbell's to the corner at Charles P. Farnsworth's to be widened and straightened, or take any action in relation thereto; and provide money to pay for the same.

ART. 20. To see if the Town will erect and maintain street lights from the centre of the Town to Farns-



worth's Corner, or enact anything in relation thereto; and provide money to pay for the same.

ART. 21. To see if the Town will authorize the Committee chosen to contract with the Massachusetts Highway Commissioners to build a State Road, to buy a Stone Crusher, Road Roller, and other machinery necessary for the construction of said state road, and appropriate money therefor, or take any action in the matter.

ART. 22. To see if the Town will change its method of warning special Town Meetings as passed at the annual meeting of 1893.

ART. 23. To see if the Town will appropriate money for an evening school this year, or take any other action relating thereto.

ART. 24. To see if the Town will take any action in relation to building a new School House near the Centre of the Town.

ART. 25. To see if the Town will authorize the Treasurer to issue Notes or Bonds of the Town to pay temporary notes and further expense on extending water pipes.

ART. 26. To see if the Town will give to the Trustees of the Public Library the custody and management of all funds heretofore or hereafter received by, or donated to, the Town for library purposes, or take any action in relation thereto.

ART. 27. To see if the Town will settle the claim of Dr. Henry C. Chapin for damages occasioned by laying out the new road between his house and that of Mrs. E. L. Campbell, or will appropriate any money for such settlement, or take any other action in relation thereto.



ART. 28. To see whether the Town will appropriate any money to the Sinking Fund or take any other action in relation thereto.

ART. 29. To see if the Town will authorize prosecutions for evasion of taxation under Sections 26 to 29 inclusive, of Chapter 11 of the Public Statutes, or take any action in reference thereto.

ART. 30. To see what action the Town will take with reference to pending legislation proposed by the City of Cambridge, for the purpose of granting to said City the right to take, hold, discontinue, change, alter the grade of, and construct such ways, streets, county roads and highways included in, adjoining or abutting any land now taken, or which may hereafter be taken, by said City, within the Town of Lincoln, for purposes of Water Supply.

ART. 31. To see if the Town will appropriate any money, to be added to the amount already subscribed, to erect a Monument to the late James H. Farrar, or take any action in relation thereto.

And you are directed to serve this Warrant by posting an attested copy thereof, at the Town House, at each of the Post Offices, and in the vestibule of the Meeting House of the First Parish, eight days, at least, before the time of the Meeting, and making seasonable return thereof, with your doings thereon, to the Town Clerk. *Hereof fail not.*

Dated at Lincoln, this sixth day of February, in the year of our Lord one thousand eight hundred and ninety-five.

SAMUEL HARTWELL,	} <i>Selectmen</i>
JOHN F. FARRAR,	
ARTHUR W. KIDDER,	
	} <i>of</i>
	} <i>Lincoln.</i>

## SELECTMEN'S REPORT.

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A statement of the receipts and expenditures of the Town of Lincoln for the year ending February 1, 1895, is herewith submitted, together with a statement of the debts of the town, an examination of which together with the Treasurer's report and the report of unpaid taxes, should show you our present financial condition. The condition of the guideboards in the town is substantially the same as last year.

Respectfully submitted by

SAMUEL HARTWELL, } *Selectmen*  
JOHN F. FARRAR,    } *of*  
ARTHUR W. KIDDER, } *Lincoln.*

## Report of the Overseers of the Poor.

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Five persons have been supported by the town the entire year, which together with the tramps have cost the town \$1,027.86. Temporary aid has been given to several persons, amounting to \$166.31.

An expense of \$70.15 was incurred by the burial of three bodies. Most of the temporary aid and extra expense will be reimbursed to the town. A statement in detail will be found in the financial part of this report.

JOHN F. FARRAR,	} <i>Overseers</i>	
SAMUEL HARTWELL,		of the
ARTHUR W. KIDDER,		<i>Poor.</i>

## Town Grants for 1894-95.

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For Schools, . . . . .	\$3,500 00
“ School Incidentals, . . . . .	1,000 00
“ School Superintendent, . . . . .	200 00
“ Miscellaneous Expenses, . . . . .	1,499 00
“ Poor, . . . . .	1,000 00
“ Highways and Bridges, . . . . .	3,000 00
“ Library, . . . . . Dog Tax (\$228.42,) and	500 00
“ Interest, . . . . .	1,900 00
“ Cemeteries, . . . . .	300 00
“ Street Lamps (from Treasury,) . . . . .	150 00
“ Village Improvement, . . . . .	200 00
“ Decoration Day, . . . . .	50 00
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	\$13,299 00

The Selectmen recommend that the town make and raise by taxation the current year, the following appropriations of money :

For Support of Schools, . . . . .	\$3,500 00
“ School Incidentals, . . . . .	1,000 00
“ School Superintendent, . . . . .	200 00
“ Miscellaneous Expenses, . . . . .	1,500 00
“ Support of Poor, . . . . .	1,000 00
“ Highways and Bridges, . . . . .	4,000 00
“ Library, . . . . . Dog Tax and	500 00
“ Interest, . . . . .	1,000 00
“ Payment of Water Bond, . . . . .	1,000 00
“ Cemeteries, . . . . .	300 00
“ Street Lamps, . . . . .	150 00
“ Village Improvement, . . . . .	200 00
“ Decoration Day, . . . . .	50 00
“ Payment of Temporary Loans, . . . . .	2,000 00
“ Military Aid, . . . . .	333 00
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	\$16,733 00

# TREASURER'S REPORT.

*The Receipts into and Payments from the Treasury from Feb. 1, 1894, to Feb. 1, 1895, have been as follows:—*

Balance in the Treasury Feb. 1, 1894, . . . . .	\$2,548 27	Paid Selectmen's orders, . . . . .	\$55,767 63
Received of County Treasurer on account of Dog Tax returned, . . . . .	228 42	" State Tax, . . . . .	2,240 00
" of State Treasurer on account of Corporation Tax of 1893, . . . . .	792 69	Balance in the Treasury, . . . . .	44 49
" of State Treasurer on account of Corporation Tax of 1894, . . . . .	2,369 19		
" of State Treasurer on account of National Bank Tax of 1894, . . . . .	1,205 12		
" of State Treasurer on account of State Pauper, . . . . .	15 00		
" of State Treasurer on account of Military Aid, . . . . .	107 00		
" of State Treasurer on account of State Aid, . . . . .	28 00		
" of State Treasurer on account of income Massachusetts School Fund, . . . . .	100 00		
" Income Grammar School Fund, . . . . .	67 22		
" of Brewster, Cobb & Estabrook, for bonds sold, . . . . .	20,543 78		
" for School Superintendent, . . . . .	199 62		
" borrowed money, . . . . .	16,000 00		
" for rent of halls, . . . . .	98 00		
" of Lincoln Water Works, . . . . .	1,000 00		
" for tuition and supplies, . . . . .	20 00		
" for licenses for slaughtering, . . . . .	2 00		
" for freight on pipe, . . . . .	914 32		
" for balance of Taxes of 1893, . . . . .	2,378 68		
" for interest on " . . . . .	85 02		
" on account of Taxes of 1894, . . . . .	9,332 09		
" for interest on " . . . . .	27 90		
	<u>\$58,052 12</u>		<u>\$58,052 12</u>

E. & O. E.

CHARLES S. WHEELER, *Treasurer.*

I have examined the accounts of the Treasurer of the Town and find them correct.

W. L. G. PEIRCE, *Auditor.*



## Expenditures.

### FOR SCHOOLS.

#### RECEIPTS.

Town Appropriation, . . . . .	\$3,500 00	
Income Massachusetts School Fund, . . . . .	100 00	
“ Grammar “ “ . . . . .	57 22	
	<hr/>	\$3,657 22

#### PAYMENTS.

##### *Centre School.*

Arthur D. Arnold, teaching High School, . . . . .	\$669 67	
Bertha Scripture, “ “ . . . . .	154 00	
Ansel S. Richards, “ “ . . . . .	147 35	
Carrie B. Chapin, “ Grammar dept. . . . .	462 00	
Harriette F. Sawin, “ Primary “ . . . . .	407 00	
James L. Chapin & Son, care of house, . . . . .	75 00	
Garfield & Proctor Coal Co., 20 tons coal, . . . . .	112 00	
Zenas G. Smith, teaming coal, . . . . .	17 20	
Annie Bannon, washing floors, . . . . .	3 00	
Mrs. Ryan, “ “ . . . . .	3 00	
	<hr/>	\$2,050 22

##### *Expense of Transporting Children,*

H. A. Sherman, carrying children to Dec. 22, . . . . .	\$296 00	
John Flynn, “ “ to Dec. 28, . . . . .	234 00	
John Dee, “ “ to Dec. 24, . . . . .	170 00	
Wheeler Brothers, use of wagon, . . . . .	20 00	
H. McKinnon, repairs on barge, . . . . .	35 00	
J. A. Burgess, “ “ . . . . .	5 00	
F. T. Smith, “ “ . . . . .	13 25	
Thomas L. Giles, painting “ . . . . .	18 00	
John Dee, repairs on “ . . . . .	2 00	
	<hr/>	\$793 25

*South School.*

Lizzie A. Brown, teaching Grammar dept.	\$435 60	
Katherine W. Grose, " Primary "	435 60	
John P. Boyce, care of house, . . .	65 13	
Garfield & Proctor Coal Co., 28 tons		
17 cwt. coal, . . . . .	161 56	
Zenas G. Smith, teaming coal, . . .	24 23	
Edward R. Farrar, 1½ cords wood, . .	9 00	
Mrs. N. Myette, cleaning house, . .	13 00	
Michael Delory, washing outside windows,	50	
	<hr/>	\$1,144 62

*North School.*

Elizabeth A. Snow, teaching, . . . .	\$162 00	
James A. Butcher, washing windows, etc.,	4 00	
Ralph Butcher, care of house, . . . .	5 00	
George Flint, 1 cord wood, . . . . .	5 50	
R. Dora Farrar, teaching one week, .	10 00	
	<hr/>	\$186 50
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		\$4,174 59
Receipts brought down, . . . . .	\$3,657 22	
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Expended above Receipts, . . . . , .	\$517 37	

## School Incidentals.

### RECEIPTS.

Town appropriation,	. . . . .	\$1,000 00
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### PAYMENTS.

#### *Center School.*

Arthur D. Arnold, cash paid Prof. Jackson,	\$10 00	
Arthur D. Arnold, postage and supplies, .	4 47	
Harriette F. Sawin, supplies, . . . . .	2 14	
Daniel B. Holman, repairs, etc., . . . . .	25 01	
Edward Bannon, services as constable, .	7 00	
N. F. Cousins, cord for flag staff and hanging picture, . . . . .	2 00	
N. F. Cousins, repairs, . . . . .	2 00	
		\$52 62

#### *South School.*

Lizzie A. Brown, postage, supplies, etc., .	3 03	
Katherine W. Grose, postage and supplies,	55	
E. R. Farrar, mulching shrubs and repairing clock, etc., . . . . .	2 50	
Thomas L. Giles, oiling floors and painting entry, . . . . .	10 00	
I. A. Bent, labor and materials, oiling floor,	11 00	
N. F. Cousins, labor and materials, repairs,	3 75	
Martin M. Welch, hauling and spreading ashes on school ground, hauling gravel, etc., . . . . .	6 55	
Thomas Coan, emptying vault in 1893, .	3 00	
E. L. Miner, putting on storm windows and for 4½ dozen screws, . . . . .	2 50	
Mr. Riley, cutting grass, . . . . .	2 00	
		\$44 88

*North School.*

James A. Butcher, labor, repairs, washing towels, etc., . . . . .	\$1 70	
C. W. Benjamin, repairing plastering, .	6 00	
	<hr/>	\$7 70

## GENERAL SCHOOL ACCOUNT.

Everett S. Locke, repairing furnace, .	3 00	
M. L. Hatch, bowl, setting and connecting, .	4 50	
John Dee, moving furniture, . . . . .	4 00	
George Flint, extra expense. . . . .	5 00	
M. L. Hatch, 18-inch grating, . . . . .	1 75	
James L. Chapin & Son, supplies, . . . . .	3 84	
L. T. McKenney, postage, printing, etc., .	3 53	
J. L. Hammett, school supplies, . . . . .	254 16	
Ginn & Co., school books, . . . . .	62 57	
Moses W. Kidder, school supplies, . . . . .	81 59	
The American Book Co., school books, . .	40 08	
Silver, Burdett & Co., " . . . . .	11 94	
D. C. Heath & Co., " . . . . .	3 60	
Ed. E. Babb & Co., " . . . . .	19 69	
Holden Pat. Book Cover Co., book covers, .	15 65	
Thompson, Brown & Co., school supplies, .	4 98	
Lizzie F. Webber, team, Bedford to Lincoln, .	1 50	
Leach, Shewell & Sanborn, school books, .	5 83	
Mrs. D. Dougherty, washing 191 towels, .	9 55	
F. E. Oliver, 1 complete school chart, . .	15 00	
J. L. Hatch, repairing furnaces, cementing wash basin and for grate, . . . . .	19 14	
R. H. Blodgett & Co., 200 report cards, .	2 50	
	<hr/>	573 40
Amount expended, . . . . .		678 60
Unexpended balance, . . . . .		<hr/> \$321 40

## SCHOOL SUPERINTENDENT.

## RECEIPTS.

Town appropriation,	.	.	.	.	\$200 00	
Received from state,	.	.	.	.	199 62	
					<u>        </u>	\$399 62

## PAYMENTS.

L. T. McKenney, for services,	.	.	.	.		322 83
						<u>        </u>
Unexpended balance,	.	.	.	.		76 79
Expense to Lincoln,	.	.	.	.		\$123 21

## Library.

## RECEIPTS.

Town appropriation,	.	.	.	.	500 00	
" " (dog tax, 1893,)	.			.	228 42	
					<u>        </u>	\$728 42

## PAYMENTS.

Samuel Hartwell, Treasurer,	.	.	.	.		728 42
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## Cemeteries.

## RECEIPTS.

Town appropriation,	.	.	.	.		300 00
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## PAYMENTS.

Edward Bannon, labor of self and horse,	.				135 05	
Edwin Dutcher, labor in 1893,	.	.	.		1 50	
Albert E. Wood, laying out lots,	.	.			4 00	
					<u>        </u>	140 55
						<u>        </u>
Unexpended balance,	.	.	.	.		\$159 45



## Decoration Day.

### RECEIPTS.

Town appropriation, . . . . .	\$50 00
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### PAYMENTS.

E. D. Martell, dinners for Grand Army Post,	22 00	
George L. Chapin, singing, . . . .	5 00	
Wm. C. Peirce, " . . . .	5 00	
Alice Peirce, " . . . .	5 00	
Helen Weston, " . . . .	5 00	
Mary Wheeler, recitation, . . . .	1 00	
Elizabeth Wheeler, " . . . .	1 00	
Stella Sherman, " . . . .	1 00	
Irene Ehlert, " . . . .	1 00	
Abby F. Hartwell, " . . . .	1 00	
Alice Jones, " . . . .	1 00	
Katie Dempsey, " . . . .	1 00	
Mary Dempsey, " . . . .	1 00	
Gertrude Dempsey, " . . . .	1 00	
Horace Ham, " . . . .	1 00	
Georgiana Sherman, " . . . .	1 00	
	53 00	
Appropriation brought down, . . . .	50 00	
	3 00	
Expended above receipts, . . . . .		3 00

## Support of Poor.

### RECEIPTS.

Town appropriation, . . . . .	\$1,000 00	
From State Treasurer, burial of body, . . . .	15 00	
	15 00	
		\$1,015 00

## PAYMENTS.

Daniel H. Sherman, care of John McGrath and tramps for 1894, . . . .	\$350 00	
Mrs. C. W. Braithwaite, support of Sarah C. Hartwell for 1894, . . . .	169 46	
Worcester Lunatic Hospital, support of Patrick Kenna and Jeremiah Burnett for year of 1894, and Mary E. Curry from January 1 to March 26, 1894, .	377 92	
Westborough Insane Hospital for support of Mary E. Curry, Mar. 26 to Dec. 31, 1894, . . . . .	130 48	
Herbert E. Barnes, burying body found in James Farrar's brook, . . . .	15 00	
City of Boston, support of Irene Tyler in City Hospital 67 days, . . . .	67 00	
For burial of the same, . . . .	5 15	
Samuel Hartwell, cash for services of woman to assist Mrs. Dutcher, . . . .	8 00	
Car fare for same, . . . . .	13	
Samuel Hartwell, cash for supplies and assistance for Mary Powell, . . . .	14 97	
A. E. Brown, provisions for Mary Powell, . . . . .	14 79	
Mrs. Annie Cahill, services, etc., for Mary Powell, . . . . .	10 00	
John F. Farrar, services, . . . . .	5 00	
James L. Chapin & Son, groceries for Mary Powell, . . . . .	4 22	
Patrick Craven, car fare and services in getting assistance for Mary Powell, .	2 00	
Dr. Titcomb, medical attendance for Mary Powell, . . . . .	28 00	
Herbert E. Barnes, funeral expenses of Mary Powell, . . . . .	50 00	
Samuel Hartwell, cash on account of poor, . . . . .	12 20	
	<hr/>	1,264 32
Receipts brought down, . . . . .	. . . .	1,015 00
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Expended above receipts, . . . . .	. . . .	\$249 32

## Military Aid.

### RECEIPTS.

Returned under Chap. 279, Acts of 1889,	\$107 00	
“ State aid, Chap. 301, Acts of 1889, . . . . .	28 00	
	<u>28 00</u>	\$135 00

### PAYMENTS.

Thomas Lynagh, . . . . .	96 00	
Edward N. Haynes, . . . . .	180 00	
	<u>276 00</u>	
Receipts brought down, . . . . .	135 00	
	<u>135 00</u>	
Expenditures above receipts, . . . . .		\$141 00

## Village Improvements.

### RECEIPTS.

Town appropriation, . . . . .	\$200 00
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### PAYMENTS.

John F. Farrar, . . . . .	\$29 50	
Edward Bannon, care of common and lane to reservoir, . . . . .	16 50	
	<u>46 00</u>	
Unexpended balance, . . . . .		\$154 00

## Street Lamps.

## RECEIPTS.

Town appropriation, to be paid out of money in the Treasury, . . . .	\$150 00
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## PAYMENTS.

Globe Gas Light Co., for naphtha and supplies, . . . . .	\$37 46	
T. Wilber Smith, lighting lamps 286 nights at 25 cents per night, . . . .	71 50	
T. Wilber Smith, cash for supplies, and carting and express, . . . .	9 20	
H. McKinnon, lighting lamp at South Lincoln, . . . . .	5 00	
	<u>          </u>	\$123 16
Unexpended balance, . . . . .		\$26 84

## Highways and Bridges.

## RECEIPTS.

Town appropriation, . . . . .	\$3,000 00
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## PAYMENTS.

Orders of Superintendent of Streets, . . . .	\$2,947 56	
Unexpended balance, . . . . .		\$52 44

## New Depot Road.

## PAYMENTS.

Henry C. Chapin, on acct. of land damage, . . . .	\$100 00	
Wm. L. G. Peirce, land damage, . . . .	60 00	
J. O. Hayden, Treasurer Middlesex Co., Payments, etc., . . . . .	2,562 46	
	<u>          </u>	\$2,722 46

## Water Works Extensions.

## PAYMENTS.

McCusker Brothers, laying pipes, setting hydrants, gates, etc., . . . . .	\$3,017 06
F. A. Snow, laying pipes, etc., in part, . . . . .	500 00
McNeal Pipe & Foundry Co., water pipes, . . . . .	6,939 86
Chapman Valve M'f'g Co., hydrants gates, washers, etc., . . . . .	647 75
Builders Iron Foundry, supplies, . . . . .	156 41
Waltham Water Works, " . . . . .	31 05
Bernard Harris, labor and " . . . . .	20 10
Fitchburg R. R., freight, . . . . .	943 11
John F. Farrar, services attending laying pipe, etc., . . . . .	135 30
Walworth Manufacturing Co., supplies, . . . . .	115 42
M. M. Tidd, services, . . . . .	38 40
	<hr/> \$12,544 46

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## McNeal Pipe and Foundry Company :

By cash paid Fitchburg R. R. Co. for freight, . . . . .	914 32
Amount paid, . . . . .	<hr/> \$11,630 14

## Refunding of Water Debt.

## PAYMENTS.

State Treasurer, for 20 Water Bonds, . . . . .	\$20,000 00
State Treasurer, premium on same, . . . . .	350 00
Thomas Groom & Co., printing Water Bonds, . . . . .	50 00
Smith & Ludden, attending hearings before Legislative Committee, drafting bill and petition, and interviews with Committee, . . . . .	50 00
Smith & Ludden, advice, drafting articles for warrants, drafting votes, attendance at town meeting, and advice as to form of Water Bond, . . . . .	20 00
	<hr/> \$20,470 00



## Interest.

## RECEIPTS.

Town appropriation,	.	.	.	.	.	\$1,900 00
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## PAYMENTS.

Interest on water debt,	.	.	.	.	\$1,566 60	
Interest on temporary loans,	.	.	.	.	149 56	
						<u>\$1,716 16</u>
Unexpended balance,	.	.	.	.		<u>\$183 84</u>

## Temporary Loans.

## RECEIPTS.

National Bank of the Commonwealth,	.	\$1,000 00
Bemis Lecture Fund,	.	1,000 00
National Bank of the Commonwealth,	.	3,000 00
" " " "	.	5,000 00
" " " "	.	4,000 00
" " " "	.	2,000 00
		<u>\$16,000 00</u>

## PAYMENTS.

National Bank of the Commonwealth,	.	\$1,000 00
Bemis Lecture Fund,	.	1,000 00
National Bank of the Commonwealth,	.	3,000 00
		<u>\$5,000 00</u>
Temporary notes, unpaid,	.	<u>\$11,000 00</u>

## Statement of Town Debt.

20 Water Bonds, \$1000 each, \$1,000 due annually for twenty years at 4 per cent. interest, . . . . \$20,000 00

## Temporary Loans as follows:

National Bank of the Commonwealth,	
due March 15, 1895,	4,000 00
National Bank of the Commonwealth,	
due March 13, 1895,	5,000 00
National Bank of the Commonwealth,	
due April 22, 1895,	2,000 00
	<u>\$31,000 00</u>

## Miscellaneous Expenses.

## RECEIPTS.

Town appropriation,	\$1,499 00
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## PAYMENTS.

George E. Crosby & Co , 400 Town Reports,	86 00
“ “ “ “ printing Warrants,	
etc.,	28 75
Free Press Job Print, 700 tax bills, .	2 50
H. C. Ingerson, damages in full on account of accident near C. Edgar Wheeler's,	100 00
Wm. Read & Sons, revolver and cartridges,	13 00
Arthur W. Kidder, services as constable, .	6 00
“ “ “ cash paid for watching fire, . . . . .	1 00
Estate of James H. Farrar, services as Assessor, . . . . .	50 00
Estate of James H. Farrar, services as School Committee, . . . . .	5 00
Estate of James H. Farrar, arrest of Wm. Barrett, . . . . .	100 00
Samuel Farrar, arrest of Wm. Barrett,	50 00
Edward R. Farrar, “ “ “ .	50 00
John F. Farrar, “ “ “ .	50 00
“ “ “ services as Inspector of Cattle, . . . . .	30 00
Samuel Hartwell, expense for Highway Commissioners, . . . . .	4 00
Samuel Hartwell, straightening six Town bounds, . . . . .	1 00
Samuel Hartwell, seven journeys to Boston and Cambridge on account of Town Reports, Water debt, and Powell Est. and expense, . . . . .	21 00
Samuel Hartwell, cash for dinners for three,	1 30
“ “ expressage and telephone,	1 20
<i>Amount carried forward,</i>	<u>\$600 75</u>

<i>Amount brought forward,</i>	\$600 75
Edward Bannon, services as Constable eight nights,	16 00
Lincoln Water Works, water service at three watering troughs,	105 00
Lincoln Water Works, water service at Cen- tre School-house,	14 00
Lincoln Water Works, water service at South School-house,	14 00
Lincoln Water Works, water service at Town House,	10 00
Herbert E. Barnes, cash for drawing wood from cemetery to Town House,	4 00
Fred Hallett & Co., 25 Assessors' lists,	4 65
Charles S. Wheeler, collecting \$20,931.47 taxes of 1893 at $1\frac{1}{2}$ per cent,	313 97
Charles S. Wheeler, abatement tax of J. T. Laird,	4 20
Charles S. Wheeler, abatement of 20 Poll Taxes, 1893,	40 00
Charles S. Wheeler, abatement of tax of Henry Miles,	42
Ames Plow Company, Penn lawn mower,	7 60
Garfield & Proctor, Coal Company, 14 tons, 17 cwt. coal at \$5.60,	83 16
Z. G. Smith, hauling above coal,	14 72
N. F. Cousins, bulletin board,	2 50
“ “ repairs on bulk-head,	75
W. L. G. Peirce, services as ballot clerk,	4 00
Thomas L. Giles, “ “ “	4 00
“ “ “ changing curtains at Town Hall,	2 00
Leonard W. Weston, services as assistant ballot clerk,	2 00
M. R. Warren, Assessor's book,	5 00
“ “ Collector's book,	1 50
Thomas Groom & Co., Collector's cash book,	1 50
<i>Amount carried forward,</i>	<hr/> \$1,255 72

<i>Amount brought forward,</i>		\$1,255 72
Smith & Ludden, written opinion of law relating to protection of purity of water supply,		25 00
Albert E. Wood, Lincoln's proportion of expense for plan and profile of State highway,		52 00
P. F. Corrigan, cleaning hose and carriage No. 2,		1 00
E. L. Miner, watching forest fire,		3 50
G. L. Miner, " "		3 50
Abram Myette, " "		2 45
Jeffrey Myette, " "		2 45
John Delory, " "		2 45
Michael Ward, five days laying wall,		12 50
Michael Cuff, " "		8 75
Lorenzo E. Brooks, services at November election,		4 00
George Nelson, watching and fighting fire,		10 00
Samuel Hartwell, services as Selectmen,		100 00
" " " Overseer of Poor,		25 00
Samuel Hartwell, services as Registrar,		10 00
" perambulating lines three towns,		6 00
Samuel Hartwell, cash for blanks and expressage,		55
Samuel Hartwell, cash for postage and stationery,		5 00
George Ropes, services as Assessor,		25 00
" expense,		1 00
Moses W. Kidder, services as School Committee,		50 00
Wm. Barrett, Agent, insurance on Town House,		55 00
E. R. Farrar, services as School Committee,		15 00
James L. Chapin, services and fees as Town Clerk,		53 25
<i>Amount carried forward,</i>		\$1,729 12

<i>Amount brought forward,</i>		\$1,729 12
James L. Chapin, express, postage and ink,	5 00	
Charles S. Smith, services as Assessor,	150 00	
“ “ “ Attorney’s fees and other expenses,	105 30	
Charles S. Smith, services as Fire Warden,	5 00	
George Flint, services as School Committee,	25 00	
Charles S. Wheeler, services as Treasurer and Water Commissioner,	100 00	
Charles S. Wheeler, stationery, postage and telephone,	5 30	
James L. Chapin & Son, oil and sundries,	14 17	
George L. Chapin, care of Town House,	140 00	
Bradley & Hubbard Mfg. Company, lamp,	12 35	
John F. Farrar, services as Selectman,	60 00	
“ “ “ “ “ Overseer of Poor,	25 00	
John F. Farrar, services as Registrar,	10 00	
“ “ “ “ perambulating lines two towns,	4 00	
Arthur W. Kidder, services as Selectman,	50 00	
“ “ “ “ “ Registrar,	10 00	
Lorenzo E. Brooks, “ “ Constable, etc.,	64 00	
Wm. L. G. Peirce, services as Auditor,	10 00	
“ “ “ car fare,	50	
Herbert E. Barnes, watching after fire,	4 90	
“ “ “ returning 11 deaths,	2 75	
Treasurer of Commonwealth, Corporation Tax of 1893 repaid,	27 13	
	<hr/>	\$2,559 52
Receipts brought down,		1,499 00
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Expended above receipts,		\$1,060 52



## Recapitulation.

SELECTMEN'S ORDERS FROM FEB. 1, 1894, TO FEB. 1, 1895.

For Schools and Superintendent,	\$5,176 02
Library,	728 42
Cemeteries,	140 55
Temporary Loans,	5,000 00
Interest,	1,716 16
Support of Poor,	1,264 32
Military Aid,	276 00
Highways and Bridges,	2,947 56
New Depot Road,	2,722 46
Village Improvement,	46 00
Street Lamps,	123 16
Decoration Day,	53 00
Miscellaneous Expenses,	2,609 52
Extension of Water Works,	12,544 46
Refunding Water Debt,	20,470 00
	\$55,817 63

The amount of orders drawn exceeds the amount paid by the Treasurer by fifty dollars, on account of order, of said amount, to Joseph S. Hart, which has not been called for.

## Jury List.

The following names are presented to the Town by the Selectmen, from which to supply Jurors for the ensuing year, from this Town :

George H. Hoar,	Thomas L. Giles,
George Ropes,	John F. Farrar,
Charles S. Smith,	Charles S. Wheeler,
Clarence A. Brooks,	Joseph S. Hart,
Edward F. Flint,	Albert A. Cook,
Roger Sherman,	Wm. H. Sherman,
Martin M. Welch,	James B. Wheeler,

J. Thomas Calkins.

SAMUEL HARTWELL, } *Selectmen*  
JOHN F. FARRAR, } *of*  
ARTHUR W. KIDDER, } *Lincoln.*

Lincoln, Feb. 6, 1895.

## Report of Committee to Purchase Coal.

The Committee appointed to purchase coal for Town purposes, report as follows :

Bought of Garfield & Proctor Coal Co.

For Town House,	14 tons 17 cwt.	} at \$5.60 per ton of 2,240 lbs., at Lincoln.
" Centre School,	20 "	
" South "	28 " 17 cwt.	
" Library,	13 " 3 "	
" Water Works about	100 " Cumberland	at \$3.85, F. O. B.

SAMUEL HARTWELL,

For the Committee.

## REPORT OF THE

### Treasurer of the Cemetery Committee.

Cash on hand, Feb. 1, 1893,	.	.	.	.	.	\$120 00
Received from sale of three lots,	.	.	.	.	.	70 00
Cash on hand,	.	.	.	.	.	\$190 00

CHARLES S. SMITH, *Treasurer.*

## ASSESSORS' REPORT.

## VALUATION, MAY 1, 1894.

Real Estate, . . . . .	\$785,490 00
Personal Estate, . . . . .	1,457,601 00
Total, . . . . .	\$2,243,091 00
Additions to Real Estate, . . . . .	3,500 00
“ to Personal Estate, . . . . .	349,912 00
	\$2,596,503 00
Abatements, Real Estate, . . . . .	300 00
	\$2,596,203 00

## TAXES.

State Tax, . . . . .	\$2,240 00
County Tax, . . . . .	2,449 69
Town Grants, . . . . .	13,149 00
Overlayings, . . . . .	731 04
	\$18,569 73
Additional Tax on Real Estate, . . . . .	28 00
“ “ on Personal Estate, . . . . .	2,799 30
	\$21,397 03
Abatements, Real Estate, . . . . .	2 40
	\$21,394 63

Number of polls, 312 Male, 2 Female.

Additional, 5 Male.

Each Male poll, \$2.00; each Female, \$0.50. Total, \$635.00.

Rate of taxation per \$1,000, \$8.00.

## ASSETS.

School Houses, . . .	\$17,000 00
Library and Books, . .	33,000 00
Other Public Buildings, .	25,000 00
Cemeteries, . . .	5,000 00
Water Works, . . .	40,000 00
Fire Apparatus, . . .	1,000 00
Trust Funds, . . .	36,094 00
Sinking Fund, . . .	8,830 61

\$165,924 61

## LIABILITIES.

Water Bonds, . . .	\$30,000 00
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Assets over liabilities, \$135,924.61.

## PROPERTY EXEMPTED.

Library and Books, . . . . .	\$33,000 00
First Parish, . . . . .	27,800 00
Unitarian Congregational Society, . . . . .	3,050 00
St. Anne's Episcopal Society, . . . . .	3,150 06
South Hall Corporation, . . . . .	900 00

A table showing the Valuation, Tax, Tax Rate, etc., since the year 1860 :

Year	No. Polls	Value Personal Estate	Value Real Estate	Amount of Tax.	Rate per \$,1000	No. Houses	No. acres Land
1861	203	\$ 159,233	\$385,660	\$4,069 53	\$6 66	125	8842
1862	205	149,695	392,445	5,137 14	8 46	128	8842
1863	199	185,756	394,215	6,798 41	10 80	128	8842
1864	204	98,117	397,041	8,277 74	15 54	130	8842
1865	200	162,680	399,481	9,359 68	15 54	129	8844
1866	198	185,855	398,865	6,725 99	10 44	129	8844
1867	202	196,149	398,930	7,633 99	11 80	131	8844
1868	203	199,915	401,601	5,120 73	7 50	132	8844
1869	206	210,479	403,147	6,876 63	10 20	135	8842
1870	213	227,931	411,631	11,545 62	17 00	136	8844
1871	239	237,627	421,455	10,612 80	15 00	138	8844
1872	231	380,860	531,425	10,740 85	10 90	139	8844
1873	217	257,085	533,287	11,639 69	13 70	145	8844
1874	235	251,797	551,827	12,702 16	14 70	146	8713
1875	250	226,816	548,972	12,391 73	14 90	147	9130
1876	256	231,077	557,713	23,921 66	17 00	154	8976
1877	269	217,572	566,038	12,684 07	15 50	157	8977
1878	254	215,302	563,074	11,016 21	13 50	155	8977
1879	362	193,749	567,259	7,373 00	9 00	157	8957
1880	257	326,748	565,839	6,583 72	6 80	159	8840
1881	264	363,677	564,344	6,906 16	6 00	159	8834
1882	257	709,160	565,366	8,803 11	6 50	156	8845
1883	278	586,407	582,186	9,671 02	7 80	160	8867
1884	287	518,676	587,201	12,075 12	10 40	160	8905
1885	284	467,079	602,890	5,703 85	4 80	163	8913
1886	284	697,448	609,320	12,067 56	8 80	164	8946
1887	296	782,085	619,995	12,089 02	8 20	170	8963
1888	282	1,000,792	629,485	10,671 67	6 20	170	8973
1889	299	751,340	633,760	17,357 65	12 10	171	8978
1890	310	890,603	649,085	13,547 38	8 40	177	8973
1891	276	1,839,382	678,095	14,897 12	5 70	180	8970
1892	283	1,704,793	704,230	18,623 18	7 50	183	8970
1893	295	1,154,403	780,310	20,893 86	10 50	187	8970
1894	314	1,457,601	785,490	18,569 73	8 00	185	8970

The tragic death of Mr. James H. Farrar, early in the year, removed from our board a valued member and one whose friendship and counsel we have greatly missed. We wish here to record our high appreciation of his worth as ever manifested in his conscientious Christian character, and our deep sorrow for his untimely death.

As no one was appointed to fill the vacancy thus caused, the more than ordinary duties of the year have devolved upon the other members of the board. Complications have arisen which have required careful investigation as to facts and law, such as we believe never have arisen before in this town.

All subsequent developments confirm us in the belief that a large proportion of the disputed assessments amounting to upwards of eight thousand dollars (\$8,000), will ultimately be collected and paid into the treasury of the town.

We would not fail to remind our citizens that a wise and economic appropriation of money is the only way to secure what we all desire, viz., a low rate of taxation.

CHARLES S. SMITH, } *Assessors of*  
 GEORGE ROPES,     } *Lincoln.*



## Report of Superintendent of Streets.

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During the early part of 1894, the long spell of dry weather converted the roads into dust. This was followed by heavy rains causing bad washouts which necessitated an extra expense, but I think our roads will compare favorably with those of adjoining towns, but there is still room for improvement. To this end I believe that three Road Commissioners would produce better results until such time as the town finances will permit the employment of a suitable superintendent to devote his entire time for that purpose.

Winter came on so early that I could not do the work intended in the north part of the town, but I expect there will be a mile of state road constructed on the North Great road this spring, thus making a vast improvement in that section. There were also a few jobs begun which I was unable to finish.

The County Commissioners have been petitioned to straighten, widen and newly gravel the South Great road. A meeting was appointed early in December, but adjournment was made until the first Thursday in April.

The road from the depot to the New road near the residence of Mrs. Campbell ought also to be straightened and widened, and a sidewalk and street lights located, as it is very dark in the evening. A sidewalk ought also to be put down from the depot to Farnsworth's Corner.

### GUIDE BOARDS.

The Guide Boards are in good condition and maintained in their proper places. There have been seven newly painted boards put in place the past year.

The money appropriated has been expended as follows: Superintendent of Streets, \$200; Snow work, \$187; South Great road, \$645; Road from Wayland to Concord, \$66; Road from Depot to Mr. W. L. G. Peirce's, \$328; Road

from Haynes' Corner to Wayland, \$200; Tower road, \$84; Road from Weston to near Dr. Kidder's, \$344; Road from Mr. Barnes' to Wheeler's Lane, \$142; Turnpike, \$71; the hill near Mr. Wm. S. Briggs', \$52; Scraping roads, cleaning out gutters, and picking up stones, \$164; Paving gutters, \$57.50; Paving Stones, Sand and labor for Pavers, \$70; Cutting brush, &c., beside roads, \$30; Guide Boards, \$12; Culverts, \$68; Railings, \$76; Gravel, \$45; Tools and repairs on same, \$27; and other general repairs, \$79.06; making a total of \$2,947.56.

Below will be found a statement of receipts and payments.

DANIEL H. SHERMAN,

*Superintendent of Streets.*

#### RECEIPTS.

Town appropriation,	.	.	.	.	.	\$3,000 00
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#### PAYMENTS.

Mar.	1.	W. H. Sherman,	as per bill,	\$15 25
	5.	Fred. Bamforth,	" "	5 06
	12.	Frank Ehlert,	" "	1 24
	15.	John R. Hartwell,	" "	42 38
	16.	D. H. Sherman,	" "	20 25
	24.	John F. Farrar,	" "	10 12
	26.	Roger Sherman,	" "	60 00
	27.	Buttrick Lumber Co.,	" "	15 30
	31.	J. W. Rooney,	" "	16 13
	31.	Con. Bernard,	" "	15 25
April	7.	Patrick Craven,	" "	25 67
	13.	Geo. Goodman,	" "	19 93
	13.	J. W. Rooney,	" "	12 54
	18.	W. H. Sherman,	" "	31 19
	19.	C. H. Watts,	" "	5 25
	21.	Geo. Goodman,	" "	8 75

*Amount carried forward,*

\$304 31

<i>Amount brought forward,</i>		\$304 31
April 21.	Con. Bernard, as per bill,	21 29
28.	J. W. Rooney,	19 25
30.	Anthony Dempsey,	17 31
30.	Patrick Craven,	19 25
30.	John Ryan,	32 18
30.	John F. Farrar,	145 18
May 1.	W. H. Sherman,	106 60
1.	T. L. Giles,	10 50
1.	D. H. Sherman,	243 62
2.	L. E. Brooks,	22 58
3.	Geo. P. Haynes,	53 63
3.	Con. Bernard,	12 25
4.	John Coan,	17 31
7.	C. P. Farnsworth,	43 04
8.	C. A. Glidden,	1 75
9.	Harry Carter,	15 56
12.	H. W. Farrar,	4 25
17.	Roger Sherman,	117 37
29.	Patrick Craven,	8 75
June 1.	John Maguire,	17 31
6.	Patrick Craven,	7 87
6.	John F. Farrar,	68 00
6.	Samuel Hartwell,	9 17
8.	Amos Holman,	17 50
9.	J. W. Rooney,	17 50
13.	John Flynn,	43 41
15.	Harry Carter,	7 00
25.	Michael Ward,	10 00
26.	Michael Downey,	8 75
29.	N. Myett,	55 41
29.	Wm. Ryan,	67 08
July 1.	W. H. Sherman,	80 00
3.	Z. G. Smith,	9 75
Aug. 15.	Patrick Craven,	8 75

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*Amount carried forward,* \$1,643 48

<i>Amount brought forward,</i>		\$1,643 48
Aug. 17.	Patrick Hanley, as per bill,	10 50
20.	F. D. Thomes,	“ 15 75
29.	Patrick Craven,	“ 8 75
Oct. 1.	W. H. Sherman,	“ 54 13
6.	James Tyler,	“ 21 00
13.	F. D. Thomes,	“ 8 75
22.	Buttrick Lumber Co.,	“ 16 13
29.	Roger Sherman,	“ 79 75
Nov. 6.	N. Myett,	“ 25 26
6.	Patrick Craven,	“ 14 87
6.	John F. Farrar,	“ 87 75
12.	Michael Cuff,	“ 7 00
29.	A. A. Libby & Co.,	“ 57 50
30.	Patrick Craven,	“ 16 93
Dec. 5.	John Ryan,	“ 7 00
6.	Michael Downey,	“ 12 25
8.	C. P. Farnsworth,	“ 26 00
10.	Wm. Ryan,	“ 61 25
10.	Owen Martin,	“ 8 75
10.	D. H. Sherman,	“ 453 31
13.	Edward Lahey,	“ 15 75
13.	Fred. Bamforth,	“ 14 00
14.	John Maguire,	“ 18 37
15.	E. I. Wheeler,	“ 4 55
17.	W. H. Sherman,	“ 149 38
17.	Harry Carter,	“ 9 62
17.	John F. Farrar,	“ 9 50
Jan. 1.	Fred. Bamforth,	“ 7 00
3.	Geo. P. Haynes,	“ 20 58
3.	Patrick Craven,	“ 1 75
14.	Michael Ward,	“ 5 00
17.	Roger Sherman,	“ 41 12
26.	J. L. Chapin & Son.,	“ 7 98
	John Sullivan,	“ 6 85
		<hr/> \$2,947 56
Unexpended balance,		<hr/> \$52 44

## Report of the Public Improvement Committee.

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The Committee on Public Improvements appointed at the last annual town meeting herewith present their annual report.

At the time the Committee was appointed two of those named as members of it announced that they were about to leave the town, and would be absent for a number of months. The member first named on the Committee left Lincoln the following day, and did not return until the month of September following. The other members of the Committee, in his absence, did not deem it advisable to take action.

Under these circumstances, your Committee regret to report that no steps have been taken in the direction indicated in the vote by which they were appointed. While they are impressed with the necessity of the existence of such a Committee, provided its work is entered upon with prudence and in a systematic way, they are under the impression that nothing material has been lost by delay up to this time. The thoroughfare upon which there is most immediate demand for some improvement is the new road from Lincoln to South Lincoln station. This road was not finished or opened for travel until the Autumn, when the season was too far advanced to admit of setting out trees or beginning other improvements of a like nature.

It would seem highly desirable that something of this sort should be done early in the coming season. Your Committee, therefore, would respectfully suggest that it be continued in office, or another committee of similar character be appointed at the next annual meeting, to serve during the current year.

All of which is respectfully submitted.

CHARLES F. ADAMS, *Chairman.*

Boston, January 26, 1895.



## Town Clerk's Report.

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For the year ending Jan. 1, 1895, there have been registered :

18 Births.

7 Marriages.

16 Deaths.

a list of which will be found following this report.

There have been 122 dogs licensed, '107 males, 15 females, for which \$264.60 has been paid to the County Treasurer.

Respectfully submitted by

**JAMES L. CHAPIN,** *Town Clerk.*

LINCOLN, Feb. 8, 1895.

## BIRTHS REGISTERED.

Date of Birth.	Name of Child.	Names of Parents.
May 17, 1832.	Margaret Riley.	Michael and Mary A. Riley.
Sept. 18, 1893.	Peter White.	Thomas and Ellen White. .
Feb. 6, 1894.	Ludwid Von Arenberg Laird.	James T. and S. Emma Laird.
" 26, "	Julia Elizabeth Riley.	Michael and Mary A. Riley.
May 2, "	Ellen May Prentis Dutcher.	Edwin and Jennie L. Dutcher.
" 13, "	Mary Eveline Browning.	Edgar C. and Lillian Browning.
" 25, "	Beatrice Evelyn Patterson.	Arthur W. and Edith M. Patterson
June 12, "	——— Burgess.	John A. and Laura Burgess.
" 19, "	Reginald William Stephens.	William and Mary A. Stephens.
" 24, "	Phillip Ham.	Thos. F. and Georgianna L. Ham.
July 16, "	Mary Margaret Frances Crowe.	Dennis and Eliza Crowe.
Aug. 9, "	Edward Milton Thomes.	Milton E. and Nellie Thomes.
Sept. 18, "	Ellen Connors.	Michael and Mary Connors.
" 30, "	Phillips Bradley.	Edw. E. and Sarah A. W. Bradley.
Oct. 13, "	Joseph Simon Myatt.	Simon and Mary E. Myatt.
Nov. 24, "	Harlan Alpheus Eveleth.	Harlan F. and Alice W. Eveleth.
Dec. 3, "	——— Newton.	George F. and Alice T. Newton.
" 15, "	——— Baker.	Walter F. and Ella M. Baker.

Whole number of births registered, . . . . .	18
Males, . . . . .	9
Females, . . . . .	9

*Nativity of Parents.*

United States, . . . . .	17
Ireland, . . . . .	8
Nova Scotia, . . . . .	7
England, . . . . .	3
France, . . . . .	1

## MARRIAGES REGISTERED.

Date of Marriage.	Names.	Age.	Residence.
Jan. 10, 1894.	{ Harlan F. Eveleth. Alice W. Ames.	38 25	Lincoln. Lincoln.
Mar. 4, "	{ Lorenzo E. Brooks. Emily Ferguson.	35 28	Lincoln. Lexington.
Apr. 2, "	{ James E. Butcher. Abby E. Handspiker.	23 21	Lincoln. Concord.
" 4, "	{ Herbert J. Harrington. Bertha M. Eldridge.	23 21	Lincoln. Weston.
July 7, "	{ Charles H. Bamforth. Alice M. Cousins.	18 19	Lincoln. Lincoln.
Sept. 30, "	{ John J. Driscoll. Dora L. Lee.	29 24	Lincoln. Sudbury.
Dec. 23, "	{ Valentine Scherman. Bridget Delia Kennedy.	22 24	Lincoln. Lincoln.

Whole number of Marriages registered, . . . . . 7

## DEATHS REGISTERED.

Date of Death.	Names.	Age. Y. Mo. D.	Cause of Death.
Jan. 18, 1894.	—— Coan.		Still Born.
No date.	Unknown Person.	(50 about.)	Unknown.
Feb. 10, 1894.	Hannah Driscoll.	63	Pneumonia.
" 22, "	Edwin Bemis.	54 1 1	Cancer.
" 13, "	—— McLeod.		Still Born.
Mar. 15, "	John Powell.	60	Heart Failure.
May 17, "	James H. Farrar.	35	Hem'rhage from carotid artery which was cut by a pistol bullet.
June 8, "	Gardner Moore.	70 2 16	Chronic Bronchitis.
July 12, "	Beatrice E. Patterson.	1 17	Erysipelas.
" 15, "	Tragott Cunnart.	17 11 18	Accidental Drowning.
" 29, "	John A. Burgess.	3 27	Cholera Infantum.
Aug. 8, "	Lucy M. Jose.	35 10	Apoplexy.
" 9, "	Richard Bretton.		Fracture of Skull.
" 19, "	William Donovan.	41	Consumption.
" 25, "	Mary Powell.	70	Dysentery.
Sept. 5, "	Catherine Bulger.	74 26	Apoplexy.

Whole number of deaths registered, . . . . . 16  
 Males, , , , , , , , , , , , , , , , 11  
 Females, , , , , , , , , , , , , , , , 5

## WATER COMMISSIONERS' REPORT.

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The Water Commissioners respectfully submit their annual report :

The pipe line, hydrants, gates, etc., are in excellent condition ; the pumps continue to do their work, with occasional repairs. The year 1894 has been an important one for the works. We have extended our pipe line about four miles, and have received application for still further extension.

We have made quite an addition to our stock of tools and fixtures for making our own repairs, which we expect soon to be able to do. After paying all current expenses, we were able to pay One Thousand Dollars towards the laying of the water pipe in the south part of the town.

Action was taken on our recommendation in relation to the pollution of water near the pumping station. Promises were made that the trouble should be remedied, which promises remain as yet unfulfilled.

### EXTENSIONS.

The town authorized the Commissioners to make the following extensions, which were made under the guarantees required by us : from Farnsworth's corner to the Concord and Wayland road, and thence to the Adams estate, a distance of 8399 feet of six inch pipe ; from Farrar's corner to the estate of John Tasker ; also to the Ehlert's estate, a distance of 5386 feet of four inch pipe. We received four proposals ; the contract was awarded to McCusker Bros., Waltham, they being the lowest bidders.

For laying six inch pipe, 21 cents per linear foot.

“ “ four “ 19 “ “ “ “

We purchased the pipe direct from the foundry of McNeal & Co., Burlington, N. J., for \$23.40 per ton, six inch, and \$24.25 four inch pipe.

The management of the work on the part of the contractors showed marked ability. We were much pleased with the push and energy displayed in handling this contract. Mr. John F. Farrar was appointed inspector, the duties of which he performed in a most satisfactory manner.

In the month of August we received application for an extension in the east part of the town. The applicants complied with the guarantees required, and under the authority of the town the Commissioners made the following extension: from the main pipe near the centre of the town to Page's corner, a distance of 4662 feet of six inch pipe; from Page's corner to the estate of Roger Sherman, a distance of 3884 feet of four inch pipe; from Page's corner to the Page estate, 1860 feet of four inch pipe. Amount of four inch pipe 5744 feet. Franklin A. Snow being the lowest bidder was awarded the contract, for 19 cents per linear foot, not including ledge, the price for ledge work was \$3.50 per cubic yard. The work is completed as far as Page's corner. On account of the inclemency of the weather, the work was abandoned until spring.

There is a manifest anxiety in the minds of many in relation to our water supply. The most serious question we have to encounter is, how much water shall certain parties take? Have they a right to draw out all the water in the pond and leave nothing but a mud hole, or are they limited in the amount they shall take? We have had the pond surveyed by Mr. Albert E. Wood, of Concord. He has made an accurate survey of the area, depth of water, etc., and drawn a plan of the same. The statement of Mr. Wood will be found in this report.



## COPY OF STATEMENT BY A. E. WOOD.

January 1, 1895.

## NOTES RELATIVE TO SANDY POND.

Area at high water, . . . . .	154.11 acres
Area at date, . . . . .	120.51 “
Area of drainage ground around the Pond from which we draw our supply, (about) . . .	336 “
Difference between high water and the water today, (This represents 190 million gallons of water, that is it would take this to fill it up again.)	49 inches
Hight of water today above the Concord pipe, . (This represents 49 million gallons.)	15 inches
Average rainfall here about (per year,) . . .	40 inches
By best known authority about one-half of this goes into the Pond. This gives us as avail- able water supply (per year) . . .	182,476,800 gallons
Lincoln is using per day, as registered by pump,	100,000 gallons
Concord “ “ per report of Superintendent, .	400,000 “
This amounts for the year to . . .	182,500,000 “
Last year the average rainfall was but . . .	30 $\frac{77}{100}$ inches

This made a shortage of 71 million gallons from above available supply which represents 22 inches fall in the Pond. (These facts speak for themselves.)

LEONARD W. WESTON,	}	<i>Water Commissioners.</i>
GEORGE L. CHAPIN,		
JOHN F. FARRAR,		
SAMUEL HARTWELL,		
CHARLES S. WHEELER,		

The following are the receipts and expenditures for the year :

#### RECEIPTS.

Balance on hand Feb. 1, 1894,	.	.	.	.	\$79 99
Water rates for the year,	.	.	.	.	2,782 56
Interest,	.	.	.	.	48
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					\$2,863 03

#### EXPENDITURES.

James T. Laird, pumping 259 days in 1894,	\$582 75
“ “ 6 cords pine wood,	30 00
“ “ teaming, extra labor, etc.,	53 09
“ “ pumping 23 days, Jan.	
1895,	51 75
Arthur W. Kidder, services as Water Commissioner in 1893,	15 00
Geo. L. Chapin, services as Water Commissioner in 1893,	25 00
Leonard W. Weston, services as Water Commissioner in 1893,	25 00
Leonard W. Weston, labor in 1893,	6 76
King & Goddard, supplies,	29 60
Walworth Manufacturing Co., supplies,	107 91
Garfield & Proctor Coal Co.	
233,950 lbs. Cumberland coal,	402 70
Fitchburg R. R. Co., freight,	86 02
Zenas G. Smith, teaming coal,	78 44
Braman, Dow & Co., supplies,	2 71
Chapman Valve M'fg Co., 2 hydrants,	57 14
Whiting & Stahl, oil,	14 50
James L. Chapin & Son, telephones,	3 80
“ “ “ supplies,	16 65
Town of Lincoln, for extension of pipe in the south part of the town,	1,000 00
Edward Kendall & Sons, grates,	27 30
“ “ “ supplies,	10 53
Leonard W. Weston, cash paid telegraph, express, etc.,	11 27
Leonard W. Weston, labor and teaming,	50 35

Waldo Bros., fire brick and cement, . . .	15 50	
Waltham Coal Co., brick, cement and lime, . . .	19 75	
Geo. E. Wood, labor on boiler, . . .	24 00	
Waltham Water Works, supplies, . . .	10 37	
Edward R. Farrar, 3 loads sand, . . .	3 00	
Albert E. Wood, running lines for water pipe, . . . . .	7 00	
Albert E. Wood, survey of pond, and plan, . . .	23 00	
Bernard Harris, tapping pipe, . . .	2 60	
John R. Hartwell, gravel, teaming, etc., . . .	5 55	
	<hr/>	\$2,799 04
Balance on hand, Feb. 1, 1895, . . .		\$63 99
Water rates due and uncollected, . . .	\$409 48	

#### Stock on hand.

- 1 new hydrant to be set opposite Mrs. Ham's place.
- 1 " " " " " Mr. Barnes' "
- 1 " " " " " Mr. Russ' "
- 1 hydrant to take the place of the one near the stone water trough  
at South Lincoln.
- 70 lengths 6 inch pipe.
- 1500 brick.
- About 28 tons Cumberland coal.
- 12  $\frac{3}{4}$ -inch corporation stops, bent union.
- 1  $\frac{3}{4}$ -inch packing drill for cement pipe.
- 1 Hall's cast iron pipe cutter, 8 inch, 6 inch and 4 inch.
- 1 diaphragm pump with 10 feet of 3 inch pipe and strainer.
- 1 Walworth pipe vice.
- 1 set caulking tools.
- 1 24-inch wrench.
- 1 16 " "
- 1 12 " "
- 1 8 " "
- 1 24 " Stillson wrench.
- 1 12 " " "
- 1 10 " " "
- 1 8 " " "
- 1 6 " " "
- 1 48 " chain tongs.

Expenditures by the Town on account of the extension in the south part of the town.

McNeal Pipe and Foundry Co.

726 lengths of 6 inch pipe, . . . .	\$2,810 91
536 " " 4 " " . . . .	1,305 48
McCusker Bros., digging and laying pipe, . .	3,017 06
Chapman Valve Manufacturing Co., 9 hydrants, .	257 15
" " " " 3 6-inch gates, .	40 86
" " " " 7 4-inch " .	61 72
Builders Iron Foundry, special castings. . . .	84 23
Fitchburg R. R. Co.	
Freight on special castings, hydrants and gates, .	26 47
Bernard Harris, tapping main 18 taps, . . . .	9 00
John F. Farrar, 36 days as Inspector, . . . .	72 00
" " horse and man 1 day, . . . .	3 00
" " paid express, . . . .	30
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	\$7,688 18

Expenditures by the Town on account of the extension in the east part of the town.

McNeal Pipe and Foundry Co.

424 lengths 6 inch pipe, . . . .	\$1,662 28
474 " 4 " " . . . .	1,161 19
Franklin A. Snow, on account, . . . .	500 00
Chapman Valve Manufacturing Co.	
1 5 inch hydrant and 7 4 inch hydrants, . .	232 88
Chapman Valve Manufacturing Co., 1 6-inch gate, .	12 94
" " " " 5 4-inch gates, .	42 20
Builders Iron Foundry, special castings, . . . .	72 18
Bernard Harris, repairing pipe at Mr. Briggs', .	2 80
" " tapping pipe and connections, .	8 30
Waltham Water Works, supplies, . . . .	31 05
Fitchburg R. R. Co., freight, . . . .	2 32
John F. Farrar, 30 days as Inspector, . . . .	60 00
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	\$3,788 14

There is due Franklin A. Snow now on account of contract, \$600 for work already performed.

I have examined the accounts of the Water Commissioners and find them correct.

W. G. L. PEIRCE, *Auditor.*

# Report of the Commissioners of Sinking and Trust Funds.

GEORGE ROPES, *Treasurer Commissioners Sinking and Trust Funds,*  
*In Account with the Sinking Fund.*

1894.		DR.	
Feb. 4.	To cash in Old Colony Trust Co.,		\$2,830 61
April 1.	" " received, Bond No. 171 Fitchburg R. R. Co.		
	and interest,		1,035 00
" 17.	" interest Old Colony Trust Co.,		23 63
" 18.	" cash received interest J. H. Farrar, mortgage note,		
	6 mos.,		68 75
" 21.	" " " J. H. Farrar on mortgage note,		100 00
June 1.	" " " 4 coupons Lincoln Water Loan Bonds,		120 00
" 2.	" " " Estate J. H. Farrar on mortgage note,		500 00
Oct. 22.	" " " " 6 mos. interest on		
	mortgage note,		56 00
" 23.	" interest Old Colony Trust Co.,		4 76
Dec. 1.	" cash received 4 coupons Lincoln Water Loan,		120 00
	" " " sale J. H. Farrar mortgage note,		1,900 00
	" " " interest J. H. Farrar mortgage note,		
	\$12.46, less commission paid, \$9.50,		2 96
	" " " Mary M. Ropes mortgage note,		2,500 00
	" " " interest " " " "		156 94
			<u>\$9,418 65</u>

1894.		CR.	
April 25.	By cash paid Treasurer Commonwealth of Massachusetts, 4 Bonds Lincoln Water Loan, numbered		
	27, 28, 29, 30,		\$4,146 67
Dec. 1.	" cash paid at National Bank of the Commonwealth,		
	5 Bonds Lincoln Water Loan, numbered 1, 6, 7,		
	8, 26,		5,000 00

1895.			
Feb. 1.	By cash in Old Colony Trust Co.,		271 98
			<u>\$9,418 65</u>

The present investment of this Fund is as follows, viz.:

Cash in Old Colony Trust Co.,	\$271 98
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E. & O. E.

LINCOLN, Feb. 1, 1895.

GEO. ROPES, *Treasurer.*



GEORGE ROPES, *Treasurer Commissioners Sinking and Trust Funds,*

IN ACCOUNT WITH

*The George Russell Legacy to the Lincoln Library.*

1894.	DR.	
Feb. 2.	To cash in Old Colony Trust Co.,	\$60 75
April 17.	" interest " "	60
Oct. 23.	" " " "	60
1895.		
Jan. 31.	" cash received, dividend 7 shares Fitchburg R. R. Co. preferred stock, declared July 15, 1893,	14 00
	" cash received, dividend 7 shares Fitchburg R. R. Co. preferred stock, declared Jan. 15, 1894,	14 00
	" cash received, dividend 7 shares Fitchburg R. R. Co. preferred stock, declared July 16, 1894,	7 00
	" cash received, dividend 7 shares Fitchburg R. R. Co. preferred stock, declared Jan. 15, 1895,	14 00
		<u>\$110 95</u>

1895.	CR.	
Feb. 1.	By cash in Old Colony Trust Co.,	<u>\$110 95</u>

The present investment of this Fund is as follows, viz. :

The John Landahl farm, being the northeast quarter of Section 8, Township 130, Range 61, in Dickey County, North Dakota. Whole acreage 160 (upland 153, meadow 7), no buildings, acquired by foreclosure of mortgage, for	<u>\$325 00</u>
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Payment of interest ceased.

The Globe Investment Co. has a claim against said property for foreclosure expenses, etc., due October 26, 1894, of	\$133 48
Unpaid taxes for 1892-93, with taxes for 1894 to be added,	36 36

Total claims against this property,	<u>\$169 84</u>
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Seven shares Fitchburg R. R. Co. preferred stock, value	\$581 00
Cash in Old Colony Trust Co.,	110 95
	<u>\$691 95</u>

E. & O. E.

LINCOLN, Feb. 1, 1895.

GEO. ROPES, *Treasurer.*

GEORGE ROPES, *Treasurer Commissioners Sinking and Trust Funds,*  
 IN ACCOUNT WITH  
*George G. Tarbell Legacy to the Lincoln Library.*

1894.		DR.		
Feb. 20.	To cash received, 6 mos. interest Caroline A. Nye,	mortgage note, . . . . .	\$25 00	
Mch. 10.	" " " 12 mos. interest Charles H. Strat-	ton, mortgage note, . . . . .	90 00	
July 1.	" " " dividend 8 shares Boston & Lowell	R. R. Co., . . . . .	28 00	
" 1.	" " " dividend 13 shares West End R. R.	Co., preferred stock, . . . . .	26 00	
Oct. 31.	" " " 6 mos. interest Caroline A. Nye,	mortgage note, . . . . .	25 00	
Dec. 18.	" " " 6 mos. interest Charles H. Stratton,	mortgage note, . . . . .	45 00	
1895.				
Jan. 2.	" " " dividend 8 shares B. & L. R. R. Co.,		28 00	
	" " " West End R. R. Co., dividend 13	shares, . . . . .	26 00	
			<u>\$293 00</u>	
1894.		CR.		
Mch. 10.	By cash paid Samuel Hartwell, Treasurer, . . . . .		\$90 00	
May 12.	" " " " " " . . . . .		25 00	
July 3.	" " " " " " . . . . .		54 00	
1895.				
Jan. 2.	" " " " " " . . . . .		124 00	
			<u>\$293 00</u>	

The present investment of this Fund is as follows, viz. :

Caroline A. Nye's note, Feb. 4, 1890, 5 years, int. at 5 per cent.		
per annum, secured by mtge. on estate on Garden St., Boston,	\$1,000 00	
C. H. Stratton's note, June 15, 1891, 2 years, int. at 6 per cent. per		
annum, secured by mortgage on farm in Lincoln, . . . . .	1,500 00	
8 shares Boston & Lowell R. R. stock, value . . . . .	1,588 00	
13 shares West End R. R. Co.'s preferred stock, value . . . . .	1,118 00	
		<u>\$5,206 00</u>

E. & O. E.

LINCOLN, Feb. 1, 1895.

GEO. ROPES, *Treasurer.*

Having examined the accounts of the Treasurer of the Sinking and Trust Funds, I find them correct.

W. L. G. PEIRCE, *Auditor.*

JULIUS E. EVELETH, TREASURER, *in account with the* GEO. F. BEMIS  
LECTURE FUND.

## DR.

	Cash on deposit as per town report, Jan. 1, 1894,	\$960 83
Jan., Apr., July & Oct.	Dividends Boston & Albany R. R.	160 00
Jan. & July	" Boston & Lowell R. R.	350 00
Jan., Apr., July & Oct.	" Boston & Providence R. R.	200 00
Mch., July & Oct.	" Old Colony R. R.	140 00
Jan. & July	" Fitchburg R. R.	60 00
Jan. & July	" West End St. R. R.	132 00
Jan., Apr., July & Oct.	" Bell Telephone	379 50
July	Interest Boston Safe Deposit & Trust Co.	13 97
	Loan from Town of Lincoln	1,000 00
Nov. 18.	Interest on town loan	13 33
		<hr/> \$3,409 63

## CR.

Jan. 4.	T. R. Marvin & Son, printing	\$5 75
" 9.	G. L. Goodale, lecture	65 00
" 15.	J. B. De Motte, "	75 00
Feb. 15.	G. W. Bain, "	60 00
" 17.	W. L. Garrison, "	20 00
" 17.	Thomas Doane, "	25 00
Mch. 1.	J. J. Lewis, transportation	1 50
" 1.	Prof. T. H. Safford and expenses	32 50
" 1.	Board of Lectures	6 00
" 1.	R. R. tickets	7 65
" 1.	Envelopes and addressing	20 80
" 1.	N. E. Piano Co., tuning	3 68
" 1.	L. C. Elson, lecture	75 00
July 13.	H. A. Sherman, teaming	12 00
" 13.	R. H. Blodgett, printing	3 00
" 18.	Loan to Town Lincoln	1,000 00
" 19.	Germania Band and soloists	104 00
Aug. 2.	N. E. Piano Co., tuning	3 00
Oct. 3.	Prof. John Fiske, lecture	75 00
" 3.	F. G. Barker, printing	2 00
" 17.	Leland T. Powers, lecture	75 00
" 31.	J. H. Mansfield "	35 00
Nov. 7.	H. H. Ragan "	75 00
" 21.	G. W. Cable, "	85 00
" 27.	Rev. E. E. Bradley "	38 96
" 27.	Miss Helen Weston	10 00

Dec. 5.	John Temple Graves, lecture . . . . .	\$75 00
" 20.	C. S. Howe " . . . . .	60 00
"	5 shares N. Y., N. H. & H. R. R. . . . .	986 25
"	Envelopes, addressing, and programs . . . . .	12 58
"	Fares . . . . .	3 60
" 31.	Cash on deposit, Boston Safe Deposit & Trust Co. . . . .	356 36
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		\$3,409 63

THE FUND IS INVESTED AS FOLLOWS, JAN. 1, 1895.

50 shares	Boston & Lowell R. R. Co.
20 "	Boston & Albany R. R. Co.
20 "	Boston & Providence R. R. Co.
20 "	Old Colony R. R. Co.
20 "	Fitchburg R. R. Co.
33 "	West End Street Ry. (preferred).
23 "	Bell Telephone Co.

Also Income account has five shares N. Y., N. H. & H. R. R.

Respectfully submitted,

JULIUS E. EVELETH, *Treasurer.*

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I have examined the vouchers, bills, etc., of the Treasurer of the Bemis Lecture Fund, and find the report correct.

W. L. G. PEIRCE, *Auditor.*

Dr.

## LINCOLN LIBRARY, TREASURER'S REPORT.

Cr.

To Town Appropriation (Cash),	.	.	.	\$500 00	By balance due Treasurer,	.	.	.	\$4 75
" " (Dog Tax)	.	.	.	228 42	By paid T. Wilber Smith, Janitor,	.	.	.	125 00
" Interest on Tarbell Legacy,	.	.	.	293 00	" Hulda A. Howes, Librarian,	.	.	.	150 00
" " on Periodical Fund,	.	.	.	5 53	" L. Jennie Chapin, Assistant Librarian,	.	.	.	150 00
" Income on Codman Fund,	.	.	.	40 00	" for books, magazines and papers,	.	.	.	370 98
" Cash for books sold,	.	.	.	3 45	" for binding magazines,	.	.	.	24 81
" " fines, etc.,	.	.	.	22 08	" for water service,	.	.	.	10 00
					" for coal and teaming, and wood,	.	.	.	96 39
					" for care of grounds,	.	.	.	35 32
					" for 200 library supplements,	.	.	.	7 50
					" for library slips,	.	.	.	14 75
					" for rubber ends for mats,	.	.	.	8 40
					" for window shades,	.	.	.	4 80
					" James L. Chapin & Son, oil, etc.,	.	.	.	13 56
					" for insurance on building,	.	.	.	45 00
					" for sundries,	.	.	.	28 79
					By balance in treasury,	.	.	.	2 43
				<u>\$1,092 48</u>					<u>\$1,092 48</u>

SAMUEL HARTWELL, *Treasurer.*



## REPORT OF THE TRUSTEES OF THE PUBLIC LIBRARY.

LINCOLN, February 6, 1895.

The Trustees of the Public Library submit the Report of its Treasurer, and the statistical report of its Librarians, also a list of books purchased during the year.

## INVESTMENT OF FUNDS.

The Codman Fund of \$1,000 is invested in five shares of Boston and Albany Railroad.

The Periodical Fund of \$100 is in the Middlesex Institution for Savings, at Concord.

For investment of the Tarbell and Russell Legacies, we refer to the Treasurer's Reports of Trust Funds.

## STATISTICS.

No. of volumes in the Library, Feb. 1, 1894,	.	.	5,113
“ “ added during the year by purchase	.	.	314
“ “ “ “ “ “ “ gift	.	.	103
“ “ “ “ “ “ “ periodicals			
bound . . . . .	.	.	20
Total accession for the year	.	.	437
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W. L. G. PEIRCE, *Auditor.*

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ANNUAL REPORT

OF THE

SCHOOL COMMITTEE

OF THE

TOWN OF LINCOLN,

FOR THE

SCHOOL YEAR 1894-95.



## Report of the School Committee.

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Consonant with the requirement of a statute of the Commonwealth, Chap. 46, sec. 8, the School Committee of the town of Lincoln present the following report ; together with the report of the Superintendent, upon the condition of the public schools of the town, and their action in charge of the same for the year 1894.

The membership of the Board has been changed within the year, by the untimely death of our worthy friend and co-worker, Mr. James H. Farrar, and the election of Mr. Edward R. Farrar to fill the resulting vacancy. Our Superintendent, Mr. McKenney, who had served us acceptably for the two preceding years, has continued his work through the last year. The Superintendency District, which formerly included six towns and forty schools, has been reduced within the year, so as to include but four towns and twenty-seven schools ; so that we are now receiving a considerably increased service from the Superintendent, with but a small additional expense.

With the exception of the High School, there has been no change in the corps of teachers, but in the addition of one at the North School. Mr. Arnold, who taught as principal of the High School last year, and was engaged to teach through this, until the close of the next spring term, was induced to leave us before the close of the autumn term : and we were under the necessity of engaging a new teacher, to finish out the



term. We sought the best, among many good candidates ; and our choice resulted in the election of Mr. Ansel S. Richards (a graduate of Harvard College), of whom we have great hope.

Wishing more strictly to grade the High School, no pupils have been admitted from the lower schools within the year, except one who was well qualified to enter. By this exclusion of the grammar school pupils and studies, the number of classes were so reduced that the service of an assistant was not required, through the autumn term.

From this school five pupils graduated, at the close of the spring term, viz., Misses Rachel W. Washburn, Edith F. Whitney, and Louise Welch ; and Messrs. Louis L. Whitney and Frank W. C. Hersey.

Of these five, one has entered Harvard College, one Radcliffe College, and two have entered Normal Schools.

The Center School still continues a mixed school (primary and grammar), for want of another room ; as recommended in our report of last year. Not having this much needed room, it became necessary in the opinion of a majority of the Committee, to re-open the North School.

This step was not approved by the Secretary of the Board, or the Superintendent ; as it involved the loss to the pupils in the north part of the town, of the superior advantages which they found and enjoyed at the Center School, together with the additional cost of the salary of a teacher, and janitor, less about half the cost of transportation of the pupils from the north part of the town. The necessity for another room is not obviated by a reduction of the number of pupils ; as that does not reduce the number of classes. Thus the

re-opening of the North School leaves the problem of grading at the Center School still unsolved.

The present arrangement is wasteful of public money, of the strength and health of the teachers, and the time of the pupils. Such a state of things is discreditable to the intelligence of the town, and ought not longer to continue. We earnestly hope that this our second appeal for an additional room at the Center schoolhouse may not pass unheeded.

The need of a suitable play-ground, which was emphasized in our last report, still cries to us for relief. The cost of sufficient ground for this purpose would be slight, compared with the resulting advantages; the parents of the children in school should appreciate and insist upon this provision.

The South Grammar and Primary Schools show the great advantage of the system of grading. Although the aggregate number of the two schools far exceeds the number in the Center School, the labor of the teachers is much less exhausting, while the advantage to the pupils is largely increased; as the attention of the pupils in one room is not constantly liable to be diverted by those of the other. The maintainance of order is far easier than in a mixed school. These schools were interrupted for one week in November, by a threatened invasion of scarlatina; otherwise they have been undisturbed through the year.

The North School having been closed through the winter and spring terms—the pupils being transferred to the Center—was re-opened at the beginning of the autumn term.

At the time the school was closed, it was the reasonable expectation and hope of the Committee that the town, at the annual meeting in March, would provide an additional room at the Centre Schoolhouse, so that the school might be graded. In this they were disappointed, and against the judgment and advice of the Secretary and Superintendent, the school was re-opened in September. We earnestly hope that the present arrangement is but a temporary one, as at its best it is but a piece of false economy.

One of the prime advantages of the Public School is the association of the pupils with each other, in considerable numbers ; that they may learn to respect each other's rights, and the ethics of good citizenship.

Twenty children in a remote corner of the town, are largely deprived of this advantage. There is a lack of competitive ambition ; they become clanish and narrow in their views.

If we would foil the enemies of the Common Schools, we *must* make them as good and useful as possible ; only in this way can we defeat their arguments.

One of the chief misfortunes of the North School has been the frequent change of teachers. What is the cause of this ? There are several causes, prominent among which, are a lower salary than we pay in the other schools, and its location, remote as it is from the privileges of social life. It is most natural that a teacher should seek to better her condition ; and it would be a very unambitious one, who would be content with a teachership in the North School.

We can always find teachers who are seeking employment at low wages ; they may be very good teachers, temporarily unemployed. Such will accept almost any position, rather than be unoccupied ; but they will not

stay with us. The incapable ones only will continue term after term. Are these what we want?

If we were to pay as much for a teacher at the North School, as we pay our other teachers, perhaps they might stay notwithstanding the other objections; but look at the waste!

38 weeks' salary, at \$12.00,	. . .	\$456.00
38 weeks' carriage of pupils to High School,		
from the North at \$3.00,	. . .	114.00
Janitor's service for the year,	. . .	15.00
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		\$585.00

Would it not be wiser for the town to invest \$3,000 in enlarging the Center Schoolhouse, so as to give us another room? We could then grade the Center School and absorb the North School, at the cost of—

Interest on \$3,000.00, at 4 per cent.,	. . .	\$120.00
Transporting all the pupils from the North at		
\$6.00 per week,	. . . . .	228.00
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		\$348.00

We could thus save \$237.00 per year, do justice to the children in the north part of the town, and grade the Center School.

With our schools properly organized, we have no use for more than five teachers.

Who can be so blind and incapable of good judgment, as not to see the eminent advantages which would result from the course above indicated?

—————, *Chairman.*  
 MOSES W. KIDDER, *Secretary.*  
 E. R. FARRAR.



## MINORITY REPORT.

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LINCOLN, Feb. 8, 1895.

*To the Voters of the Town of Lincoln :*

Inasmuch as I am unable to subscribe to all the recommendations submitted in the report of the School Committee, I desire to state my objections to the proposed enlargement of the High School building at the present time. These are prompted by my best judgment, which is always the guide in my endeavor to serve the highest interests of the town, in the most impartial way of which I am capable. I shall especially direct attention to the financial aspect of the situation.

1. The addition to the High School building, with the necessary appurtenances, price of land, furnace, furnishings, etc., will surely be . . . \$4,000.00

2. Extra expenses, care of house, coal, . . . 115.00

3. Land for a play-ground, one or two acres, fencing, . . . . \$300.00 to 400.00

4. A barge suitable to carry 20 children, . . . . 200.00 to 250.00

5. Transportation, not less than \$8.00 per week, . . . . 304.00

6. A man to exercise oversight noon-hour, 25 cts. per hour, . . . . 57.00

7. The teaching force cannot profitably be diminished. There are enrolled in the Center Schools 53 pupils; in the North 20 pupils; a total of 73 pupils. They would be graded to assign about 55 pupils to the



primary department, and 18 pupils to the grammar. It is my estimation that no teacher can do satisfactory work with 55 or more pupils.

8. The expenses of maintaining the North School will be about as follows :

A good teacher can be secured for \$10 per	
week,	\$380.00
Wood for heating, \$30 ; care of house, \$15,	45.00

9. The younger children will be far more constant in attending the North School than to ride to the Center, especially in winter. The town is also responsible for any accidents which are liable to occur to the children.

If the above considerations are approximately correct, I can see no valid reason to request the town to assume the debt which would be incurred by these contemplated changes.

Very respectfully yours,

GEORGE FLINT, *Chairman.*

# Report of Superintendent of Schools.

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*To the School Committee of Lincoln :*

GENTLEMEN : — I have the honor to submit to you my fourth annual report as Superintendent of the Schools of Lincoln.

In considering the work, conditions, and needs of our schools at the close of another year, it is well to observe not only whether we have improved on our own results of previous years, but whether we are keeping abreast of the times in educational progress. We may do the former and fall short of the latter. For the present is preëminently a period of progress ; and not less in educational, than in other lines of effort.

Educators everywhere have been investigating, experimenting, learning, improving, until educational methods have been well-nigh revolutionized. Now the principle follows the illustration, the object is taught before the sign, realities instead of representations.

A conference of the ablest educators and thinkers in America has recently resulted in the Report of the Committee of Ten. This Report sets forth the aims of education and formulates a general comprehensive plan of studies, covering systematically the whole range of elementary school work. The Secretary of the Massachusetts State Board of Education, in December last, issued also a pamphlet, stating clearly the ends to be secured in public school work, and containing a model course of studies whose principles are universal in their application in securing these ends. The

State is soon to establish four Normal Schools in addition to the three now in operation. Hereafter students admitted to the State Normal Schools must be graduates of high schools whose courses of studies have been approved by the State Board of Education. A plan has recently been adopted permitting persons to take State examinations and receive State certificates to teach. Teaching is thus to be made in truth a profession, and schools are to be, ere long, supplied with professional teachers.

All this effort on the part of individuals, educational associations and the State, to provide better methods, better means, higher standards, and abler teachers, indicates a better appreciation of the value of school training as a preparation for life's work, and a deeper sense of our duty to those who must soon be entrusted with the social and national welfare; and it means a degree of educational progress not hitherto attained in our country's history.

This progress requires of the teacher better preparation and effort, of the town better school equipments and accommodations. Are we keeping pace with this progress? It is not perhaps to be expected that we should produce as good results as the best organized and equipped schools in the Commonwealth. But are our schools doing, or in condition to do, as good work as the average schools in the State? This ought to be the lowest standard of requirement.

#### WORK OF THE SCHOOLS.

A glance at the work of the individual schools will show their progress, and reveal also their condition and needs.

The South Schools have been in the charge of able teachers; they are as well graded and classified as their numbers will permit; they have done good work and have made steady improvement.

The North School has always worked under serious disadvantages, being wholly ungraded and located in an isolated part of the town where it is difficult to retain a good teacher for any considerable length of time. In order to give the pupils of this school advantages more nearly equal to those of children in other parts of the town, they were transported to the Center during the winter and spring terms. They made very noticeable improvement in that school, although their presence there, under the existing conditions, was an undoubted hindrance to the work of the school.

As the town made no permanent provision for the accommodation of these pupils at the Center, the North School was reopened in the fall. The pupils did much better work under the instruction of the present earnest teacher there than during the corresponding period of last year.

While the pupils of the North School have thus made more improvement this year than last, they have worked under such difficulties that the result has not been satisfactory, nor can it be while the school remains where it is. And the fact that it is now in charge of a successful teacher is not a valid reason why the school should be continued as it is. A good teacher has had charge of this school before, but she could not be retained. How long the present one will remain is uncertain.

The Center School, which ought to do as good work as any school in town—and it is no fault of the teach-



ers that it does not—is so handicapped by its present arrangement, that despite the best efforts of efficient teachers it is impossible to do very satisfactory work.

This school numbers, exclusive of the North children, between fifty and sixty pupils, all seated in one room, under the general direction and discipline of one teacher, but divided into two sections, one including the four lower, or primary grades, the other the four upper, or grammar grades, and therefore necessarily taught in two rooms. Owing to the differences in the ages, and in the studies of the pupils of these two sections, it is impossible for both teachers to make their recitation periods of the same length, consequently the teacher in the main room must often stop in the midst of a recitation to allow a class to enter from the small room, and another to go out. This interruption is annoying to the teacher, distracting to the pupils, and wasteful of valuable time. On the other hand, the primary teacher must be in the recitation room with her classes, and can give little attention to the seat-work of her pupils. Thus both teachers are seriously hampered and hindered in their work, and the teaching of both sections of the school suffers in consequence.

This arrangement, so unfavorable to the best results, ought to be remedied. It can be done by providing two suitable school rooms, and placing one section in each room as a separate school, thus making two distinct schools at the Center below the High School, as we have at the South.

When this is done, we have solved the problem of the North School; for the pupils of that school can then be transferred to the Center, with great advantage to themselves and no disadvantage to the other pupils.



This plan would give the Centre Schools about the same number of pupils as there is in the South Schools, and would place all the pupils of the town in condition to do equally good work.

I recommended this change in the arrangement of the Centre School in my report last year, and renew it in the belief that it is not less called for now than then, and in the hope also that it may receive the town's approval and early attention.

### MUSIC.

Another important improvement that ought to be made in our schools, is the teaching of music by a special teacher.

The importance of music as a part of school work has been shown in numerous articles that recently appeared in the Boston *Herald*, from one of which the following is quoted:

“Aside from the fact that musical exercise rightly conducted is a powerful means of training to attention and accuracy, singing is a source of relief and renovation, which tends to create a larger interest in school life, and thus to make work in all departments more hearty and vigorous.”

Music cannot be successfully taught in our schools by the regular teachers alone, in their already overcrowded time. It has been taught by special teacher in Billerica during the past five years with most gratifying results.

The services of a good musical instructor can be secured to teach one day a week—an hour in each school—in Lincoln, for \$200 a year, and it would be money well expended. A few years ago money was

appropriated for manual training, but it was found to be impracticable to use it for that purpose. Had it not been, the money would be much more profitably expended in musical, than in manual, training in our schools.

I hope that an appropriation for this purpose will be recommended by the Committee, and that it will be made by the town at the next town meeting.

### PUBLIC LIBRARY.

The Public Library is an important factor for culture in the community. It can be made no more potent for this purpose than in its proper use by the children, and the teacher is essentially the one to encourage and direct this use. Indeed, it is as much the duty of the teacher to teach her pupils what to read, as to teach them how to read. And she can render no more valuable service in teaching any, or all, the subjects of the school curriculum, than in cultivating in her pupils a taste for good reading. In doing this she has opened to them an ever widening field of profitable industry and enjoyment. And we can in no way so well direct aright the reading taste of the masses of the people as by wisely guiding the children to books that are good and true before they have begun the use of poor and evil literature.

Arrangements are being made, with the willing assistance of the Librarian of the Public Library, to provide books suitable to each grade, with special privileges for the teachers to use them in their schools, that they may, even in the primary grades, acquaint their pupils with the best authors and create in them a love for good books. For "what we make children

love and desire is more important than what we make them learn."

### UNITED STATES HISTORY.

A new plan was adopted last fall in the study of United States history. The pupils are to take it up as a regular study in the sixth grade. The subject for study in September is the period of exploration and discovery, the pupils using as text-books, Eggleston's First Book in United States History, or Montgomery's Beginner's American History. Every pupil is required to read the account in at least one book besides the regular text-book. Such other books are to be used for reference as are accessible to the teachers and pupils. The teacher will guide the pupils in their reading and study with recitation work upon properly prepared topics. At the end of the month the pupils write a paper on the subject matter of the month's study, and each pupil's papers are to be bound together and preserved. The subject for October is colonization; for November, the French and Indian wars; December, causes of the Revolution; January, the Revolution, and so on. The class will in this way cover a definite period of the history each month, pursuing the same plan as the first month, and thus go over the whole historical story during the first year's study of the subject, learning a few of the leading facts and most important events.

The next year the class take a larger book, Montgomery's Leading Facts of American History, or Fisk's History of the United States, and go over the history again in much the same manner as the previous year, but going deeper into the study and learning more

about the leading men, and fixing in mind more of the important events.

In the eighth grade the class will go over the history for the third time, following the same general plan as before ; now making a thorough study of details as far as given in our school histories, and going somewhat into the philosophy of the history. More use of reference books and more outside reading will be required each year.

The advantages of this plan are :

First. Before any pupil leaves the public schools he will be likely to have completed the sixth year's work, and instead of leaving school with no knowledge of his country's history, or at best, with only some knowledge of a part of it, and wholly ignorant of the rest, he will know something of the whole history. And the large majority of children, who complete the grammar school course and do not enter the high school, will have a pretty thorough and comprehensive knowledge of the whole history.

Second. By reading the history through each year the pupil will have the connected story, and will understand better the relations of its facts, instead of possessing only vague ideas of disconnected portions, as was too often the case under the plan formerly pursued of studying part of the history one year, and another part the next.

Third. This plan teaches pupils to read to a purpose, cultivates a habit of research, and furnishes excellent material for language and composition work.

This plan combines reading, language and history, and aside from its excellent disciplinary effect, will give the pupils a good knowledge of history itself. It is



not being fully carried out this year, owing to the fact that it was entered upon late in the fall term and was tried somewhat as an experiment.

The result of the plan, as far as tried in the schools under my supervision, is sufficiently satisfactory to justify its being followed very nearly as here outlined in the study of history next year.

### HIGH SCHOOL.

The only change in teachers during the year has occurred in the High School. Besides dispensing with the services of an assistant at the close of the spring term, a change of principals was necessitated at an unfortunate time by the resignation of Mr. Arnold.

Although a most estimable gentleman, studious, faithful, and zealous for the improvement of his school, Mr. Arnold, like most young teachers who have had neither experience nor professional training, had to learn the important difference between teaching and hearing recitations, before his work could be very efficient. Mr. Arnold improved in his work, but when his services were becoming valuable he left us, and a change had to be made.

It is unfortunate that the town must pay a teacher to learn his profession, to the detriment of the High School, and when experience has been acquired that secures profitable results, lose him, and then repeat the same unprofitable process. There is, however, no law to prevent a teacher from resigning whenever inclination, or the offer of a better position, prompts him to do so. The only remedy, when a vacancy occurs in the High School principalship, is to fill the position either with a man who has had some experi-



ence, or with a bright graduate from the four years' course of one of the State Normal Schools, and thus keep the school in charge of experienced or professionally trained teachers.

Notwithstanding the disadvantages above referred to, some very creditable work has been done in the High School, as evinced by the high standing taken by some of this year's graduates in their final examinations for Radcliffe and Harvard. It ought in justice to be said that the good results secured in the graduating class, as well as in some of the other work, was due, in no small degree, to the excellent services of the assistant, Miss Bertha Scripture.

#### ATTENDANCE.

It is encouraging to note the improvement in attendance this year. It is better than in any previous year since I have had charge of the schools. Reference to the table of statistics will show that, with an enrolment about the same as last year, the average membership has increased from 149 to 168, the average daily attendance from 132 to 152, and the per cent. of daily attendance, based on average membership, from about 87 per cent. to nearly 91 per cent.; while the instances of tardiness have decreased from 387 to 237—an improvement of more than one-third.

The State now requires a record of time lost by reason of tardiness and dismissal. While the number of instances of tardiness and dismissal have been kept, only about half of the time lost by this cause has been returned, from which it appears that  $21\frac{1}{2}$  days have been lost. The complete record would probably show a loss in school attendance by this cause alone,

equivalent to two months for one pupil. Thus tardiness and dismissal are detrimental in actual loss of time to the children, as well as in other ways.

The importance of regular school attendance has been emphasized in previous reports, and perhaps needs no further mention now. It is proper, however, to call parents' attention to the change in the law on this subject, made in the legislation of last winter.

Chap. 498, Sect. 1. Every person having under his control a child between the ages of eight and fourteen years . . . shall annually cause such child to attend some public day school, in the city or town in which he resides, and such attendance shall continue for at least thirty weeks of the school year, if the schools are kept open for that length of time, with an allowance of two weeks' time for absences not excused by the superintendent of schools or the school committee. Such period of attendance shall begin within the first month of the fall term of school, and for each five days' absence of any such child thereafter, in excess of the above allowance, before the completion of the required annual attendance of thirty weeks, the person having such child under his control shall, upon the complaint of the school committee or truant officer, forfeit to the use of the public schools of such city or town a sum not exceeding twenty dollars. . . .

### CONCLUSION.

In conclusion I wish to say that the work of the year has been characterized by the earnest efforts of faithful teachers, and has, in many ways, been an improvement on past results. But the disadvantages already pointed

out do not place our schools on an equal footing with those of sister towns, and prevent the degree of progress that might otherwise be reasonably expected. Should the recommendations herein made be carried into operation, our schools would be placed in condition to compare not unfavorably with others elsewhere, and would produce results enough better to more than justify whatever expense may be necessary to make the proposed changes.

Before closing this report, I desire at the end of another year to express my hearty thanks for the continued courtesy and good-will of people, teachers, and Committee.

Respectfully submitted,

LEWIS T. McKENNEY,

*Superintendent of Schools.*

## STATISTICS.

Number of children enumerated in town, May 1, 1894, between the ages of five and fifteen years, as returned by the Assessors, . . . . .	153
Number of children enrolled in the public schools, . . . . .	200
Number of children enrolled under five years of age, . . . . .	0
Number of children enrolled over fifteen years of age, . . . . .	21
Number of children enrolled between five and fifteen years of age, . . . . .	179
Number of children enrolled between eight and fourteen years of age, . . . . .	100
Number of school-houses occupied, . . . . .	3
Number of school-rooms occupied, . . . . .	5
Number of teachers employed, . . . . .	6

## ROLL OF HONOR.

PUPILS NEITHER ABSENT NOR TARDY DURING THE YEAR.

## DURING TWO TERMS.

John P. Boyce,	Ida B. Farnsworth,
Jennie B. Bent,	Charles Rooney,
Mary E. Cook,	Louis L. Whitney.

## DURING ONE TERM.

## HIGH SCHOOL.

Jennie B. Bent,	Ida B. Farnsworth,
Edwin S. Bent,	Alfred P. Jackson,
Ida Browning,	Jennie McHugh,
Mary E. Cook,	Kate McHugh,
Mary A. Dee,	Rachel W. Washburn,
Annie G. Dempsey,	Edith F. Whitney,
Irene A. S. Ehlert,	Louis L. Whitney,
Clifford B. Whitney.	

## CENTRE SCHOOL.

Frank Leon Baldwin,	Alice Flynn,
Lyman T. Baldwin,	Alice Jones,
Kate Dempsey,	Nora Lennon,
Helena Dempsey,	James Lennon.

## SOUTH GRAMMAR.

Lalia Bent,	Rose Farnsworth,
Mary Downey,	Caroline Ehlert,
John P. Boyce,	Mary Ehlert.

## SOUTH PRIMARY.

Bertha Bent,	Mary Downey,
Lily Boyce,	Charles Kenney,
Emmons Cook,	Annie Ryan,
George Cook,	Charles Rooney,
Andrew Dougherty,	Chester Sherman.

## NORTH SCHOOL.

Julia H. McLeod.



# SCHOOL STATISTICS.

Schools.	Terms.	Teachers.	Enrollment.	Average membership.	Average daily attendance.	Per cent. of daily attendance.	Visits of Superintendent.	Visits of Committee.	Visits of citizens.	Tardiness.	Dismissals.	Time in days lost by tardiness and dismissals.	Teacher's salary per mo.	Length of term in winter.
High, . . .	{ Winter,	Arthur D. Arnold, Prin.	34	33.27	30.14	90.70	5	13	12	8	*	*	\$84.20	12
	{ Spring,	Bertha Scripture, Ass't.	31	26.80	23.93	89.29	6	5	5	7	*	*	84.20	10
	{ Fall,	Arthur D. Arnold, Prin.	26	22.52	20.55	91.25	9	13	8	6	9	*	89.47	16
Center, . . .	{ Winter,	Ansel S. Richards, Prin.	67	56.84	52.09	91.64	4	7	10	22	5	1.77	84.20	12
	{ Spring,	Carrie B. Chapin.	72	64.24	57.24	89.10	6	4	5	30	11	3.70	44.00	10
	{ Fall,	Harriet F. Savin.	53	49.68	46.01	92.81	9	6	9	29	18	4.85	44.00	16
S. Grammar,	{ Winter,	Harriet F. Savin.	28	26.65	23.93	89.79	3	5	13	26	22	*	44.00	12
	{ Spring,	Lizzie A. Brown.	28	24.99	23.00	92.00	4	3	6	17	15	*	44.00	10
	{ Fall,	Lizzie A. Brown.	36	33.05	29.98	90.71	7	5	11	26	31	6.91	48.00	15
S. Primary,	{ Winter,	Kate W. Grose.	34	32.58	28.34	86.98	3	4	8	14	9	*	44.00	12
	{ Spring,	Kate W. Grose.	43	41.58	38.09	91.12	4	2	7	22	4	*	44.00	10
	{ Fall,	Kate W. Grose.	38	35.09	30.83	87.88	7	7	17	14	8	.90	48.00	15
North, . . .	{ Fall,	Elizabeth A. Snow.	19	18.92	17.64	93.23	7	3	13	16	15	3.41	36.00	16

## SUMMARY FOR THE YEAR.

High, . . .	Changed during year.	35	27.53	24.87	90.41	20	31	25	21	*	*	10.32	-	38
Center, . . .	{ Carrie B. Chapin.	79	56.92	51.78	91.18	19	17	24	81	34	*	*	-	38
S. Grammar, . . .	Harriet F. Savin.	32	28.23	25.64	90.83	14	13	30	69	78	6.91	6.91	-	37
S. Primary, . . .	Lizzie A. Brown.	51	36.42	32.42	88.66	14	13	32	50	21	.90	.90	-	37
North, . . .	Kate W. Grose.	+3	18.92	17.64	93.26	7	3	13	16	15	3.41	3.41	-	16
	Elizabeth A. Snow.													
Total 1894,	. . .	200	168	152	90.87	74	77	124	237	148	21.54	21.54	-	-
Total 1893,	. . .	197	149	132	87.08	-	-	-	387	-	-	-	-	-

\* No record.

† The other pupils of North School enrolled at Centre.

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# TOWN OFFICERS, 1895-6.

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## *Moderator at Town Meetings.*

CHARLES S. WHEELER.

## *Town Clerk.*

JAMES L. CHAPIN.

## *Selectmen.*

SAMUEL HARTWELL,

JOHN F. FARRAR,

ARTHUR W. KIDDER.

## *Overseers of Poor.*

JOHN F. FARRAR,

SAMUEL HARTWELL,

ARTHUR W. KIDDER.

## *Board of Health.*

MOSES W. KIDDER,

Term expires 1896

JOSEPH S. HART, . . . . .

" " 1896

SAMUEL H. PIERCE, . . . . .

" " 1898

## *Assessors.*

CHARLES S. SMITH,

GEORGE ROPES,

GEORGE M. BAKER.

## *Road Commissioners.*

DANIEL H. SHERMAN, . . . . .

Term expires 1896

ROGER SHERMAN, . . . . .

" " 1897

LORENZO E. BROOKS, . . . . .

" " 1898

## *Treasurer and Collector of Taxes.*

CHARLES S. WHEELER.

## *Auditor.*

WM. L. G. PEIRCE.

## *Constables.*

L. E. BROOKS,

EDWARD BANNON,

FRANK M. DEMPSEY,

JOHN F. FARRAR,

MASON P. HUNTER,

JAMES T. LAIRD,

DENNIS W. DOHERTY.

*School Committee.*

MOSES W. KIDDER,	. . . . .	Term expires 1896
GEORGE FLINT,	. . . . .	" " 1897
EDWARD R. FARRAR,	. . . . .	" " 1898

*School Superintendent.*

L. T. MCKENNEY.

*Water Commissioners.*

GEORGE L. CHAPIN,	. . . . .	Term expires 1896
JOHN F. FARRAR,	. . . . .	" " 1897
LEONARD W. WESTON,	. . . . .	" " 1898
SAMUEL HARTWELL,	Chairman of Selectmen, <i>ex-officio</i> .	
CHARLES S. WHEELER,	Town Treasurer, <i>ex-officio</i> .	

*Field Drivers.*

HENRY F. BARNES,	SAMUEL FARRAR.
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*Fence Viewers.*

SAMUEL FARRAR,	GEORGE L. CHAPIN.
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*Surveyors of Lumber.*

N. F. COUSINS,	GEO. F. HARRINGTON,
EDWARD R. FARRAR.	

*Measurers of Wood and Bark.*

EDWARD R. FARRAR,	FRANCIS J. KIDDER,
WALTER F. BAKER,	T. WILBER SMITH,
H. W. PRATT,	THOMAS L. GILES.

*Cemetery Committee.*

JOHN TASKER,	. . . . .	Term expires 1896
H. C. CHAPIN, M. D.,	. . . . .	" " 1897
HERBERT E. BARNES,	. . . . .	" " 1898
JAMES L. CHAPIN,	. . . . .	" " 1899
CHARLES S. SMITH,	. . . . .	" " 1900

*Commissioners of Trust Funds.*

JULIUS E. EVELETH,	. . . . .	Term expires 1896
SAMUEL H. PIERCE,	. . . . .	" " 1897
GEORGE ROPES,	. . . . .	" " 1898

*Registrars.*

SAMUEL HARTWELL,	JOHN F. FARRAR,
ARTHUR W. KIDDER,	JAMES L. CHAPIN.

*Trustees of Lincoln Public Library.*

GEORGE G. TARBELL, M. D., President,

SAMUEL H. PIERCE,

JOHN F. FARRAR,

SAMUEL HARTWELL, Chairmen Selectmen, *ex-officio*.

GEORGE FLINT, Chairman of School Committee, *ex-officio*.

*Trustees of Bemis Fund for Free Public Lectures.*

JULIUS E. EVELETH, . . . . . Term expires 1896

GEORGE FLINT, . . . . . " " 1897

GEORGE ROPES, . . . . . " " 1898

*Trustees of Grammar School Fund.*

CHARLES S. WHEELER,

HERBERT E. BARNES,

ALBERT A. COOK.

*Public Improvement Committee.*

CHARLES F. ADAMS,

GEORGE ROPES,

SAMUEL H. PIERCE.

*Committee to Purchase Coal.*

SAMUEL HARTWELL,

JOHN F. FARRAR,

ARTHUR W. KIDDER.

*Sexton.*

HERBERT E. BARNES.

**APPOINTED BY SELECTMEN.**

*Sealer of Weights and Measures.*

JAMES L. CHAPIN.

*Janitor of Town House.*

GEORGE L. CHAPIN.

*Fire and Forest Fire Wardens.*

CLARENCE A. BROOKS,

CHARLES S. SMITH,

JOHN F. FARRAR.

*Inspector of Provisions and Animals.*

CHARLES S. SMITH.

# WARRANT.

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## COMMONWEALTH OF MASSACHUSETTS.

MIDDLESEX SS.

*To Lorenzo E. Brooks, or either of the Constables of  
the Town of Lincoln, in said county :*

GREETING :

In the name of the Commonwealth of Massachusetts you are hereby required to notify and warn the inhabitants of the Town of Lincoln, duly qualified to vote in Town affairs, to assemble at the Town Hall, on Monday, March second, next, at one o'clock P. M., to act on the following articles, viz. :

ARTICLE 1. To choose a Moderator.

ART. 2. To hear, consider and act upon Reports of Town Officers, Committees, Commissioners and Trustees, in any manner the town shall think proper.

ART. 3. To choose all necessary Town Officers, Committees, Commissioners and Trustees.

ART. 4. To enact anything in relation to the jury list presented by the Selectmen.

ART. 5. To appropriate money for all necessary and expedient purposes of the town, and enact anything in relation thereto.

ART. 6. To give in their votes by ballot in answer to the question: "Shall licenses be granted for the sale of intoxicating liquors in this town?" The check list shall be used, as provided by Section 5, Chapter 100, of the Public Statutes.

ART. 7. To determine the manner of collecting taxes. Also the compensation of the Collector for the ensuing year.

ART. 8. To see if the Town will authorize the Committee chosen by the Town at a former meeting to contract for and build a mile of State road, to contract with the State Highway Commissioners to build the remainder of the State highway in this town, or any part of the same.

ART. 9. To see if the Town will authorize its Treasurer, under the direction of the Selectmen, to borrow money in anticipation of taxes of the current year, and to be paid therefrom.

ART. 10. To see what action the Town will take in regard to improving the ventilation of the Town Hall, or Bemis Hall, and to appropriate the necessary amount of money therefor.

ART. 11. To see if the Town will confirm and ratify the action of the Board of Health, whereby they employed counsel to assist them in matters pertaining to the prevention of polluting the water of Sandy Pond; also the action of the Selectmen in approving the bill for payment of said counsel.

ART. 12. To see if the Town will reconsider its vote passed some years since, whereby it voted that the proceeds of sales of lots in the New Cemetery should be invested, and the income of such investment should be



used to keep the Cemetery, or certain parts thereof, in repair.

ART. 13. To see if the Town will have all proceeds of sales of lots in the Cemeteries paid into the Town Treasury.

ART. 14. To see if the Town will confirm and ratify the doings of the Water Commissioners pursuant to the vote of the Town January 11, 1896, and all other votes of the Town them thereto enabling in regard to the taking and holding of the waters of Sandy Pond and the waters which flow into and from the same under the provisions of chapter one hundred and eighty-eight of the Acts of the year eighteen hundred and seventy-two; and if the town will authorize the Water Commissioners to make any further taking of said waters for the purposes named in said act, or take any action in relation thereto.

ART. 15. To see if the Town will take and hold under the provisions of chapter one hundred and eighty-eight of the Acts of the year eighteen hundred and seventy-two, by purchase or otherwise, any lands for raising, flowing, holding, diverting, conducting, purifying and preserving the waters of Sandy Pond and the waters which flow into and from the same, and for conveying such waters to any and all parts of the town; or take any action in relation thereto.

ART. 16. To see if the town will make any provision by the choice or appointment of a committee on claims or otherwise for the defense of suits, claims and demands against the town and for the prosecution of such proceedings as may be necessary for the protection of the rights of the Town, or make any appropriation therefor, or take any other action in relation thereto.

ART. 17. To see if the Town will authorize the Public Improvement Committee to designate certain trees, within the limits of its highways, for the purpose of preserving them for shade trees.

ART. 18. To see if the Town will adopt any by-laws, or take any action in relation thereto.

ART. 19. To see if the Town will make any appropriation of money in anticipation of payment of bills on account of the State Road.

ART. 20. To see if the Town will accept the provisions of Chap. 374 of the Acts of 1895, and elect a single highway surveyor, who shall have exclusive control of the town roads, bridges, etc.

And you are directed to serve this warrant by posting an attested copy thereof, at the Town House, at each of the Post Offices, and in the vestibule of the Meeting House of the First Parish, eight days, at least, before the time of the meeting, and making seasonable return thereof, with your doings thereon, to the Town Clerk. *Hereof fail not.*

Dated at Lincoln this eleventh day of February, in the year of our Lord one thousand eight hundred and ninety-six.

SAMUEL HARTWELL,	} <i>Selectmen</i>
JOHN F. FARRAR,	
ARTHUR W. KIDDER,	
	<i>of</i>
	<i>Lincoln.</i>

## SELECTMEN'S REPORT.

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The past year has been an eventful one for the town of Lincoln, several important events having been set in motion. It may not be generally known that the city of Cambridge has taken by eminent domain and by purchase, about nine hundred and fifty acres of land in the city of Waltham and towns of Lincoln and Lexington, for the purpose of constructing reservoir basins. The westerly boundary of land so taken runs the entire distance of the old County Road and Winter street (so called) from Waltham line to Lexington line, in the town of Lincoln. Certain portions of said County Road, together with portions of other streets that extend through the proposed basin, the city of Cambridge are obliged, on account of grade, to raise before they can allow their basin to fill with water.

The act of 1884, under which the city acquired the land for its water basin, made no provision for alterations in the roads crossing and adjoining it. At first the city proposed to make changes without any legislative authority, but the town objected to this, and Cambridge was forced to apply for further legislation. The bill introduced in the Legislature of 1895 by the city was intended to give it the authority to discontinue, alter, change in grade, and construct any roads it saw fit in the vicinity of the water basin, practically without supervision or control. The town appeared at the committee hearings before the Legislature and strenuously opposed the Cambridge plan, with the result that an entirely different bill was passed, which offered complete protection to the town by carefully limiting the work which Cambridge should be allowed to do to certain specified roads and parts of roads, and by providing that no work should be done except under the supervision of the County Commissioners, and entirely at the expense of the city. The city was also required by the act to keep places changed in grade in repair for a period not exceeding five years, as the County Commissioners should order, to maintain guard rails forever in such places, and to keep in repair forever Lincoln street

over the dam. The most important provision of the act was the authority given to the County Commissioners to determine the boundaries of and locate anew in substantially its present position, the old County Road above mentioned from Concord Turnpike in Lexington to the Waltham line on Winter street, a distance of about two miles.

The city of Cambridge, in compliance with the terms of the act, petitioned the Middlesex County Commissioners for the privilege of raising the grade of streets in several low places in Lincoln and Lexington; also that certain portions of streets in Lincoln and Lexington be discontinued, viz.: All of Brooks street in Lincoln, and a part of the old County Road between Concord Turnpike in Lexington and its intersection in Lincoln with the new road laid out from the premises of John J. Jurada to said Concord Turnpike. The city of Cambridge further petitioned the County Commissioners to determine the boundaries of, and locate anew, the said County Road in Lincoln and Lexington from the town line of Lincoln and Waltham on Winter street to said Concord Turnpike in Lexington. The County Commissioners, after viewing the premises and holding several meetings where the parties in interest were heard, adjudged that the changes of grade, discontinuance of streets, and said locating anew, were necessary and proper for the purposes set forth in chapter 354 of the Acts of 1895. And in accordance with plans and specifications presented by them, the commissioners determined and ordered that the city of Cambridge shall, at its own expense, on or before the first day of July, 1896, lay open, construct and complete said road, according to said specifications, in a workmanlike manner; and said commissioners further determined and ordered that the city of Cambridge shall, at its own expense, perform all the work of building said road to the acceptance of said commissioners, also shall perpetually keep in repair that part of road leading from Lincoln to Waltham by the old mill site, known as Lincoln street, the grade of which was changed; and shall keep in repair for five years next after the completion thereof, certain other portions of streets mentioned in their order; and shall perpetually maintain guard rails upon and along certain parts of streets mentioned in their order; and shall pay all damages awarded to, or recovered by any person in consequence of anything done under the authority of said order.



The city of Cambridge says that the County Commissioners have exceeded their right in the above order, and said city has appealed to the Supreme Court of Massachusetts for a writ of *certiorari* to quash the proceedings of the Commissioners.

The case was heard in the Supreme Court before Judge Morton, on Jan. 17th, 1896, and will be presented by him to the full bench of judges for a decision. At the hearing before Judge Morton the city of Cambridge was represented by City Solicitor Peavy and George O. Shattuck, Esq., the County Commissioners by A. A. Strout, Esq., and the towns of Lincoln and Lexington by E. Irving Smith, Esq. The decision is awaited with interest, as it is considered of great importance to this town.

One mile of state road has been nearly completed on the north great road, which is conceded by all who have seen it to be a very great improvement. The committee chosen by the town to construct the road will present a detailed account of the receipts and expenditures of the same. It is expected the work will be extended the coming season.

An important matter of interest to the town is the suit of William A. Burnham and others, trustees, to recover from the town the amount of the tax assessed upon them in 1894, which they have paid under protest. Another important matter is the petition of Julian de Cordova for the abatement of a portion of the tax assessed upon him as trustee in 1894. These matters are now in litigation, and the outcome is of great importance to the town in a financial point of view. Newspaper reports indicate a strained feeling in the town of Concord in relation to Sandy Pond water, a matter of which very little is known at the time of writing. A statement of the receipts and expenditures of the town of Lincoln for the year ending Feb. 1st, 1896, is herewith submitted, together with a statement of the debts of the town.

SAMUEL HARTWELL,	} <i>Selectmen</i>
JOHN J. FARRAR,	
ARTHUR W. KIDDER,	
	} <i>of</i>
	} <i>Lincoln.</i>



## Report of the Overseers of the Poor.

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Since our report to the town in 1895, one of the persons supported by the town has died, viz: John McGrath, and one, viz: Mrs. Mary Craven has been added, so that the number is the same as last year, viz: five. All are in Insane Hospitals. Mrs. Craven was committed to Westborough Insane Hospital from Boston, February 13, 1895. Ten dollars was expended on account of a woman who was found beside the Fitchburg Railroad on the morning of November 21, which it is expected will be reimbursed by the state. In 1894 the town expended for care, support, medical and funeral expenses of Mary Powell the sum of \$128.98, which together with interest from date of her death, is due the town of Lincoln. Your Overseers wrote to the administrator of her estate several months since, in regard to the payment of the same, but no answer has been received. We are informed that in order to recover, action must be commenced within two years from the time the administrator of her estate was appointed, which time will expire December 18, 1896.

JOHN F. FARRAR,	} Overseers
SAMUEL HARTWELL,	
ARTHUR W. KIDDER,	
	} of the
	} Poor.

## Town Grants for 1895-96.

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For Schools, . . . . .	\$3,500 00
“ “ Incidentals, . . . . .	1,000 00
“ Music in Schools, . . . . .	200 00
“ School Superintendent, . . . . .	200 00
“ Miscellaneous Expenses, . . . . .	1,500 00
“ Support of Poor, . . . . .	1,000 00
“ Highways and Bridges, . . . . .	3,000 00
“ South Great Road (Special), . . . . .	500 00
“ Library, Dog Tax (\$255.34) and . . . . .	500 00
“ Interest, . . . . .	300 00
“ Payment of Water Bond, due Dec. 1, 1895, . . . . .	1,000 00
“ Cemeteries, . . . . .	300 00
“ Street Lamps, . . . . .	150 00
“ Village Improvements, . . . . .	200 00
“ Decoration Day, . . . . .	50 00
“ Payment of Temporary Loans, . . . . .	1,000 00
“ Military Aid, . . . . .	333 00
“ Marking graves of Revolutionary Soldiers, . . . . .	50 00
“ Revere Tablet, . . . . .	100 00
“ Payment of original Water Bond, balance of Sinking Fund (\$271.98) and . . . . .	728 02
“ Monument for James H. Farrar, . . . . .	200 00
“ Miss Bemis' Fence (Depot Road), . . . . .	50 00
“ Tower Road Water Extension (April 25), . . . . .	1,000 00
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	\$16,861 02
“ Tower Road Water Extension (August 8), not assessed, \$1,000 00	

The Selectmen recommend that the Town make and raise by taxation, the current year, the following appropriations of money:

For Support of Schools, . . . . .	\$3,500 00
“ School Incidentals, . . . . .	1,000 00
“ Music in Schools, . . . . .	200 00
“ School Superintendent, . . . . .	100 00
“ Miscellaneous Expenses, . . . . .	2,000 00
“ Counsel Fees, . . . . .	1,200 00
“ Support of Poor, . . . . .	1,000 00
“ Highways and Bridges, . . . . .	4,000 00
“ Library, Dog Tax and . . . . .	500 00
“ Interest . . . . .	400 00
“ Payment of Water Bond, due Dec. 1, 1896, . . . . .	1,000 00
“ Cemeteries, . . . . .	200 00
“ Street Lamps, . . . . .	150 00
“ Village Improvement, . . . . .	100 00
“ Decoration Day, . . . . .	25 00
“ Payment of Temporary Loans, . . . . .	2,000 00
“ Board of Health, . . . . .	50 00
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	\$17,425 00



## Expenditures.

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### FOR SCHOOLS

#### RECEIPTS.

Town Appropriation, . . . . .	\$3,500 00	
Income Massachusetts School Fund, . . . . .	162 80	
“ Grammar “ “ . . . . .	46 21	
	<hr style="width: 10%; display: inline-block; vertical-align: bottom;"/>	\$3,709 01

#### PAYMENTS.

##### *Center School.*

Ansel S. Richards, teaching High School, . . . . .	\$852 50	
Carrie B. Chapin, “ Center Grammar School, . . . . .	456 00	
Harriette F. Sawin, teaching Center Primary School, . . . . .	418 00	
James L. Chapin & Son, care of house, . . . . .	75 00	
Waltham Coal Co., 15 tons 9 cwt. coal, . . . . .	77 25	
John R. Hartwell, teaming 15 tons 9 cwt. coal, . . . . .	11 69	
Mrs. Ryan, cleaning rooms, . . . . .	5 00	
George Flint, $\frac{1}{2}$ cord pine wood, . . . . .	2 75	
	<hr style="width: 10%; display: inline-block; vertical-align: bottom;"/>	\$1,898 19

##### *Carrying Children.*

H. A. Sherman, . . . . .	\$240 00	
John Flynn, . . . . .	132 00	
Frank M. Dempsey, . . . . .	121 20	
John Dee, . . . . .	114 00	
	<hr style="width: 10%; display: inline-block; vertical-align: bottom;"/>	\$607 20



*South School.*

Lizzie A. Brown, teaching Grammar dept.	\$456 00	
Katherine W. Grose, " Primary "	228 00	
Amanda C. Ellison, " " "	237 60	
John P. Boyce, care of house, . .	60 12	
Mrs. T. Coan, cleaning rooms, . .	18 00	
E. R. Farrar, 1½ cords wood, . . .	9 00	
Waltham Coal Co., 14 tons 9 cwt. coal, .	72 25	
John R. Hartwell, teaming coal, . .	10 84	
	<hr/>	\$1,091 81

*North School.*

Elizabeth A. Snow, teaching, . . .	\$209 00	
Dora R. Farrar, " . . .	150 00	
George Flint, 2 cords wood, . . .	11 00	
Henry A. Butcher, sawing 2 cords wood,	2 00	
James A. Butcher, " 2 " "	1 50	
Ralph E. Butcher, care of house one year,	15 00	
" " cleaning room, etc., .	4 00	
Isaac B. Cook, 2 cords wood, . . .	11 00	
" " white washing and cleaning,	7 25	
	<hr/>	\$410 75
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		\$4,007 95
Receipts brought down, . . . . .	\$3,709 01	
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Expended above receipts, . . . . .	\$298 94	

## MUSIC IN SCHOOLS.

## RECEIPTS.

Town Appropriation, . . . . .	\$200 00
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## PAYMENTS.

F. W. Archibald, teaching ½ year, . . . .	\$100 00
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Unexpended balance, . . . . .	\$100 00

## School Incidentals.

### RECEIPTS.

Town Appropriation, . . . .	\$1,000 00	
Cash collected by teachers, . . . .	65	
	<hr/>	\$1,000 65

### PAYMENTS.

#### *Center School.*

Daniel Gillis, carpenter work, . .	\$2 00	
H. A. Sherman, repairs on barge, . .	4 00	
J. A. Burgess, " " " . .	2 50	
H. McKinnon, painting " . .	18 00	
Samuel Hartwell, expressage, . .	20	
	<hr/>	\$26 70

#### *South School.*

Lizzie A. Brown, postage and sundries, .	\$1 37	
Katherine W. Grose, " " " .	55	
Thomas L. Giles, oiling floors, . .	6 00	
John F. Farrar, cutting grass, . .	2 00	
Waltham Electric Appliance Co., bells, etc.	2 20	
C. W. Benjamin, labor and materials, re- pairs, . . . . .	20 50	
E. R. Farrar, sundries, . . . .	8 10	
M. L. Hatch, " repairs, . .	12 79	
Amanda C. Ellison, sundries, . . . .	1 00	
	<hr/>	\$54 51

#### *North School.*

Elizabeth A. Snow, team to Lincoln, .	1 50	
James A. Butcher, repairs, . . . .	5 76	
Ralph E. Butcher, sundries, . . . .	3 10	
Dora R. Farrar, map, . . . .	99	
	<hr/>	\$11 35
<i>Amount carried forward, . . . .</i>		<hr/> \$92 56

*Amount brought forward,* . . . \$92 56

GENERAL SCHOOL ACCOUNT.

Leach, Shewell & Sanborn, school books, .	\$8 66	
Edward Babb & Co., school supplies, .	57 47	
Bernard Harris, labor, material, repairs, .	7 35	
D. C. Heath & Co., books, . . .	2 50	
N. F. Cousins, repairs, . . . .	14 45	
Thompson, Brown & Co., books, . .	1 20	
Lee & Shepard, " . . .	12 80	
William Ware & Co., " . . .	620	
Moses W. Kidder, expense for schools, .	44 65	
George S. Perry, sundries, . . . .	26 90	
The Prang Educational Co., models, .	6 36	
Fred H. Kirwin, repairs, . . . .	20 52	
R. M. Yale & Co., flag, bunting and repairs,	9 05	
Houghton, Mifflin & Co., books, . .	1 00	
J. A. Bent, oil, dryer, labor, . . . .	10 65	
Central School Supply House, Tellurian, .	41 50	
University Publishing Co., books, . .	11 62	
Silver, Bardett & Co., " . . . .	23 89	
J. L. Hammett, supplies, . . . .	37 17	
Ginn & Company, books, . . . .	66 75	
Mrs. D. Dougherty, washing towels, .	6 75	
L. T. McKenney, sundries, . . . .	9 18	
J. L. Hammett Co., supplies, . . . .	11 04	
George Flint, blankets for barge, . .	4 50	
Whitall, Tatum & Co., Chemicals, . .	3 81	
James L. Chapin & Son, supplies, . .	5 15	\$451 12
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		\$543 68
Unexpended balance, . . . . .		\$456 97

School Superintendent.

RECEIPTS.

Town Appropriation, . . . . .	\$200 00	
Received from State, . . . . .	250 00	
	<hr/>	\$450 00

PAYMENTS.

L. T. McKenney, for services, . . . . .	\$346 52	
Unexpended balance, . . . . .		\$103 48

## Library.

## RECEIPTS.

Town Appropriation, (Cash)	.	.	.	\$500 00	
" " (Dog tax, 1894)	.	.	.	255 34	
				<u>          </u>	\$755 34

## PAYMENT.

Samuel Hartwell, Treasurer,	.	.	.	.	755 34
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## Cemeteries.

## RECEIPT.

Town Appropriation,	.	.	.	.	\$300 00
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## PAYMENT.

Herbert E Barnes, labor,	.	.	.	.	25 72
Unexpended balance,	.	.	.	.	<u>          </u> \$274 28

## Decoration Day.

## RECEIPTS.

Town Appropriation,	.	.	.	.	\$50 00
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## PAYMENT.

E. D. Martell, catering for G. A. R. Post,	.	.	.	.	\$22 00
Unexpended balance,	.	.	.	.	<u>          </u> \$28 00

## Markers for Revolutionary Soldiers' Graves.

## RECEIPT.

Town Appropriation,	.	.	.	.	\$50 00
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## PAYMENT.

M. D. Jones & Co., 24 markers,	.	.	.	.	24 00
Unexpended balance,	.	.	.	.	<u>          </u> \$26 00

## Fencing Miss Bemis' Land, (Depot Road.)

## RECEIPT.

Town Appropriation,	.	.	.	.	.	.	\$50 00
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## PAYMENTS.

Michael McDonald, 54 posts,	.	.	.	.	\$10 80	
Buttrick Lumber Co., lumber,	.	.	.	.	18 22	
John F. Farrar, labor and expense,	.	.	.	.	20 75	
						<u>\$49 77</u>
Unexpended balance,	.	.	.	.	.	<u>\$ 23</u>

Tablet to Mark the Spot Where Paul Revere  
Was Captured.

## RECEIPT.

Town Appropriation,	.	.	.	.	.	\$100 00
Unexpended,	.	.	.	.	.	100 00

## Monument for James H. Farrar.

## RECEIPT.

Town Appropriation,	.	.	.	.	.	\$200 00
Unexpended,	.	.	.	.	.	200 00

## Highways and Bridges.

## RECEIPTS.

Town Appropriation,	.	.	.	.	\$3,000 00	
“ “ for South Road,	.	.	.	.	500 00	
						<u>\$3,500 00</u>

## PAYMENTS.

Road Commissioners' orders,	.	.	.	.	\$3,914 55	
Appropriations brought down,	.	.	.	.	3,500 00	
						<u>\$414 55</u>
Expenditures above receipts,	.	.	.	.		



## Support of Poor.

## RECEIPT.

Town Appropriation,	.	.	.	.	.	.	\$1,000 00
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## PAYMENTS.

Daniel H. Sherman, care of John McGrath and tramps for 1895,.	.	.	.	.	\$350 00
Commonwealth of Massachusetts, for sup- port of Sarah C. Hartwell from Feb. 11th to March 31st, 1895,	.	.	.	.	22 75
Mrs. C. W. Braithwaite, support of Sarah C. Hartwell from Jan. 1 to Feb. 11, 1895,	.	.	.	.	19 50
Westborough Insane Hospital, support of Sarah C. Hartwell from April 1st to Dec. 1st,	.	.	.	.	127 67
Mary E. Curry, year of 1895,	.	.	.	.	169 48
Worcester Lunatic Hospital, support of Patrick Kenna and Jeremiah Burnett for 1895,.	.	.	.	.	338 92
Lizzie J. Moynihan, care and clothing for State pauper,	.	.	.	.	7 00
Dr. H. C. Chapin, medical attendance of State pauper,	.	.	.	.	3 00
Commonwealth of Massachusetts, support of Mary Craven from Feb. 13 to July 25, 1895,	.	.	.	.	75 68
					<hr/> \$1,114 00
Receipt brought down,	.	.	.	.	1,000 00
Expended above appropriation,	.	.	.	.	<hr/> \$114 00

## Village Improvement.

## RECEIPT.

Town Appropriation,	.	.	.	.	.	.	\$200 00
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## PAYMENTS.

Roger Sherman, filling beside road from li-							
brary to cemetery,	.	.	.	.	.	\$51 75	
Edward Ryan, mowing common,	.	.	.	.	.	12 25	
Samuel Hartwell, " " "	.	.	.	.	.	7 00	
							<u>\$71 00</u>
Unexpended balance,	.	.	.	.	.		\$129 00

## Street Lamps.

## RECEIPT.

Town Appropriation,	.	.	.	.	.	.	\$150 00
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## PAYMENTS.

Globe Gas Light Co., for naphtha and sup-							
plies,	.	.	.	.	.	46 95	
T. Wilbur Smith, lighting lamps,	.	.	.	.	.	66 25	
" " sundries,	.	.	.	.	.	7 75	
							<u>\$120 95</u>
Unexpended balance,	.	.	.	.	.		\$29 05

## Military Aid.

## RECEIPTS.

Town Appropriation,	.	.	.	.	.	\$333 00	
Returned under Chap. 279, Acts of 1894,						123 00	
							<u>\$456 00</u>

## PAYMENTS.

Thomas Lynagh,	.	.	.	.	.	\$96 00	
Edward N. Haynes,	.	.	.	.	.	180 00	
Funeral expenses of Edward N. Haynes,						28 00	
							<u>\$304 00</u>
Unexpended balance,	.	.	.	.	.		\$152 00

## Water Extension (East Part).

## PAYMENTS.

John F. Farrar, Inspector, . . .	\$12 00	
Frederick P. Kidder, " . . .	95 00	
Fitchburg Railroad, freight, . . .	18 00	
F. A. Snow, on account of contract, . . .	3,240 26	
	<u>          </u>	\$3,365 26
Retained 5 per cent. Snow's account, . . .	\$196 86	

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## Tower Road Extension.

## RECEIPTS.

Town Appropriation (April 25),	\$1,000 00	
" " (Aug. 8), not assessed,	1,000 00	
	<u>          </u>	\$2,000 00 .

## PAYMENTS.

Walworth M'f'g Co., Pipe, . . .	\$1,222 21	
Builders' Iron Foundry, Supplies, . . .	38 40	
Chapman Valve M'f'g Co., Hydrants, etc.,	93 20	
Fitchburg Railroad, freight, . . .	140 94	
Zenas G. Smith, teaming pipe, etc., . . .	44 16	
F. A. Snow, on account of contract, . . .	1,300 00	
	<u>          </u>	\$2,838 91
Appropriations brought down, . . .	. . .	2,000 00
		<u>          </u>
Disbursements above Appropriations, . . .	. . .	\$838 91

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## State Road.

## RECEIPTS.

From State Highway Commission, . . .	\$5,869 05
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## PAYMENTS.

On account of State Highway, . . .	\$5,855 98
	<u>          </u>
Balance in Treasury, . . .	\$13 07

## Water Bond.

Unprovided for by sinking fund, or by refunding of the water debt.

## RECEIPTS.

Balance of Sinking Fund, . . . . .	\$271 98	
Accrued interest, . . . . .	1 52	
Town Appropriation, . . . . .	728 02	
	<hr/>	\$1001 52

## PAYMENT.

Water Bond, No. 9, . . . . .	\$1000 00	
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Unexpended balance, . . . . .	1 52	
Paid from town treasury, . . . . .	\$726 50	

## Water Bond Due Dec. 1, 1895.

## RECEIPT.

Town Appropriation, . . . . .	\$1000 00
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## PAYMENT.

Water Bond, due Dec. 1, 1895, . . . . .	\$1000 00
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## Interest Account.

## RECEIPTS.

Town Appropriation, . . . . .	\$300 00	
Interest on Water Bonds from Water Commissioners, . . . . .	800 00	
	<hr/>	\$1100 00

## PAYMENTS.

Interest on water bonds, . . . . .	\$800 00	
“ “ Temporary loans, . . . . .	351 78	
	<hr/>	\$1151 78
Receipts brought down, . . . . .	1100 00	
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Expended above receipts, . . . . .	\$51 78	

## Temporary Loans.

## RECEIPTS.

Town Appropriation, . . . . .	\$1,000 00
Commonwealth Bank, note dated Nov. 7, 1894, . . . . .	4,000 00
Commonwealth Bank, note dated Jan. 10, 1895, . . . . .	5,000 00
Commonwealth Bank, note dated Jan. 19, 1895, . . . . .	2,000 00
Middlesex Institution for Savings, note dated Apr. 11, 1895, . . . . .	2,000 00
Middlesex Institution for Savings, note dated Apr. 22, 1895, . . . . .	2,500 00
Commonwealth Bank, note dated June 3, 1895, . . . . .	1,000 00
Commonwealth Bank, note dated June 14, 1895, . . . . .	1,000 00
Middlesex Institution for Savings, note dated Mar. 15, 1895, . . . . .	10,000 00
Middlesex Institution for Savings, note dated Dec. 1, 1895, . . . . .	2,000 00
	<hr/> \$30,500 00

## PAYMENTS.

Commonwealth Bank, note Nov. 7, 1894, . . . . .	\$4,000 00
“ “ “ Jan. 10, 1895, . . . . .	5,000 00
“ “ “ “ 19, “ . . . . .	2,000 00
Middlesex Institution for Savings, note dated Apr. 11, 1895, . . . . .	2,000 00
Middlesex Institution for Savings, note dated Apr. 22, 1895, . . . . .	2,500 00
Commonwealth Bank, note dated June 3, 1895, . . . . .	1,000 00
Commonwealth Bank, note dated June 14, 1895, . . . . .	1,000 00
	<hr/> \$17,500 00
	<hr/> \$13,000 00
Less Town Appropriation, . . . . .	1,000 00
	<hr/> \$12,000 00



## Statement of Town Debt.

19 Water Bonds of \$1,000 each.	\$1,000.	
due annually for nineteen years at 4		
per cent. interest, . . . . .	\$19,000 00	
Middlesex Institution for Savings, note		
dated March 15, 1895, for two years,	\$10,000 00	
Middlesex Institution for Savings, note		
dated Dec. 1, 1895, . . . . .	\$2,000 00	
	<hr/>	\$31,000 00

## Miscellaneous Expenses.

## RECEIPTS.

Town Appropriation, . . . . .	\$1,500 00	
Rent of Halls, . . . . .	62 50	
	<hr/>	\$1,562 50

## PAYMENTS.

Edward Ryan, sawing wood at Town Hall,	\$3 50	
George E. Crosby & Co. Printing, Reports,		
Warrants, etc., . . . . .	108 00	
Knight & Thomas, 2 Five Extinguishers,	29 00	
R. B. Somers, 700 tax bills, . . . . .	2 50	
Revere Rubber Co. 50 ft Hose, . . . . .	27 50	
Water Commissioners, for Water, . . . . .	143 00	
Wm. E. Russell, Esq. $\frac{1}{2}$ Services in trial of		
Case, Commonwealth vs. Munroe et al.	50 00	
Elihu G. Loomis, Esq. Consultations, etc.,		
with Geo. M. Baker, and Francis		
Smith, Committee of the Town of Lin-		
coln, in reference to the proceedings		
under writ of Mandamus in the Supreme		
Court, on acc't of Highway. . . . .	50 00	
Charles S. Wheeler, Collecting taxes of		
1894, \$21407. at $1\frac{1}{2}$ per cent. . . . .	321 10	
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Amount carried forward, . . . . .	\$734 60	

<i>Amount brought forward,</i>	\$734 60
For abatement of 24 Poll taxes,	48 00
“ “ “ other taxes as per schedule,	106 95
“ “ on acc't of Error	1 50
Charles S. Smith, Inspector of Animals,	60 00
William Read & Sons, Constable Badges,	2 67
Sherman Hoar, Esq, Attorney for Dr. H. C. Chapin balance settlement of claim for damages,	400 00
Wm. Barrett Agt. Insurance on Town Hall, etc.	97 60
Wm. L. G. Peirce, Services as ballot Clerk, twice	6 00
Thomas L. Giles, Services as ballot Clerk, twice,	6 00
Lorenzo E. Brooks, Services as Constable, twice,	6 00
John A. Conley & Co. Repairs on roof town house,	25 00
Damon Safe and Iron Works Co. exchange Safes,	75 00
Z. G. Smith, Carting Safes to and from Depot,	8 00
Georgie H. Western, Copying Assessors Books,	15 00
Frank M. Dempsey, Services as Constable,	6 00
Edward Bannon, “ “ “	4 00
L. E. Brooks, “ “ “	41 00
Edwin Dutcher, Cleansing Hose and Car- riage,	1 75
Owen Martin, Cleansing Hose and watching fire,	4 00
Everett Miner, Cleansing Hose and watch- ing fire,	4 00
John McGuire, Watching fire,	2 00
Watson Tyler, watching fire,	2 00
John Rooney, “ “	2 00
J. H. Welch, washing hose,	2 00
N. F. Cousins, cementing roof town-house,	3 00
<i>Amount carried forward,</i>	\$1,664 07

<i>Amount brought forward,</i>	.	.	.	\$1,664 07
Libby and Larcom, repairs and labor on circular windows, Bemis Hall,	.	.	.	26 19
H. W. Pratt, repairs on wrench,	.	.	.	1 00
James T. Laird, services as constable,	.	.	.	4 00
Thomas Groom & Co., Collector's cash book,	.	.	.	1 50
Waltham Coal Co., 18 tons 10 cwt. coal, town-house,	.	.	.	92 50
John R. Hartwell, teaming coal,	.	.	.	13 87
Samuel Hartwell, sundries as per bill Sept. (1895),	.	.	.	33 98
" " sharpening lawn mower,	.	.	.	1 25
" " perambulating three town lines,	.	.	.	6 00
" " carrying pauper to Tewks- bury,	.	.	.	5 00
" " cash for postage, station- ery, warrants, etc.,	.	.	.	8 50
" " seven journeys to Boston and expense,	.	.	.	21 00
" " services as Selectman,	.	.	.	100 00
" " " " Overseer of Poor,	.	.	.	25 00
" " services as Registrar,	.	.	.	10 00
John Farrar, services as Selectman,	.	.	.	60 00
" " " " Overseer of Poor,	.	.	.	25 00
" " " " Registrar,	.	.	.	10 00
" " " " Perambulating three town lines,	.	.	.	6 00
John F. Farrar, services on State Road Committee,	.	.	.	25 00
John F. Farrar, teaming tons pipe from F. R. R. to engine house,	.	.	.	20 00
Arthur W. Kidder, services as Selectman,	.	.	.	50 00
" " " " " " Overseer of Poor,	.	.	.	10 00
Arthur W. Kidder, services as Registrar,	.	.	.	10 00
Edward R. Farrar, services as School Committee,	.	.	.	20 00
<i>Amount carried forward,</i>	.	.	.	\$2,249 86

<i>Amount brought forward,</i>		\$2,249 86
Cook Brothers, housing hose carriage No. 2		
from Feb. 1, 1894, to Mar. 23, 1895,	14 00	
Charles S. Wheeler, postage, stationary		
and sundries,	6 10	
George Flint, services as School Committee,	25 00	
" " extra,	5 00	
George Ropes, services as Assessor,	10 00	
Charles S. Wheeler, services as Treasurer,	100 00	
William Barrett, Agt., insurance on South		
schoolhouse,	40 00	
Charles J. Rolfe, professional services,	25 00	
Joseph S. Hart, services on Board of Health,	25 00	
" " " posters,	3 00	
M.W. Kidder, services on Board of Health,	25 00	
" " " chloride of zinc quadruple,	3 00	
" " " posters,	3 00	
James L. Chapin, services as Town Clerk,	43 30	
" " " " " Registrar,	12 00	
" " " " before County		
Commissioners,	2 00	
James L. Chapin, services getting safe		
from railroad,	5 00	
James L. Chapin, services sealing scales,		
(State road),	2 00	
James L. Chapin, freight on safe,	1 65	
" " " express, \$2.00, postage,		
\$1.00,	3 00	
James L. Chapin & Son, sundries at town		
house,	23 15	
George L. Chapin, services as janitor,	131 00	
Wm. L. G. Peirce, services and expense as		
Auditor,	12 00	
M. W. Kidder, services as School Commit-		
tee,	50 00	
M. W. Kidder, express, postage, books,	8 25	
" " " repair clock, washing floor,		
etc.,	2 82	
		<hr/> \$2,830 13
Receipts brought down,		1,562 50
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Expended above receipts,		\$1,267 63

## Recapitulation.

SELECTMEN'S ORDERS FROM FEB. 1, 1895, TO FEB. 1, 1896.

For Schools, . . . . .	\$4,651 63
School Superintendent, . . . . .	346 52
Library, . . . . .	755 34
Cemeteries, . . . . .	25 72
Temporary Loans, . . . . .	17,500 00
Interest, . . . . .	1,151 78
Support of Poor, . . . . .	1,114 00
Military Aid, . . . . .	304 00
Highways and Bridges, . . . . .	3,914 55
Village Improvement, . . . . .	71 00
Street Lamps, . . . . .	120 95
Decoration Day, . . . . .	22 00
Miscellaneous Expenses, . . . . .	2,830 13
Extension of Water Works, . . . . .	6,204 17
Payment of Water Bonds, . . . . .	1,726 50
Markers for Soldiers' Graves, . . . . .	24 00
Miss Bemis' Fence, (Depot Road), . . . . .	49 77
State Road. . . . .	5,855 98
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	\$46,668 04

## Jury List.

The Selectmen present the following names from which to supply Jurors for the ensuing year :

George H. Hoar,	Daniel H. Sherman,
George Ropes,	Thomas L. Giles,
Charles S. Smith,	John F. Farrar,
Clarence A. Brooks,	Albert A. Cook,
Roger Sherman,	Herbert J. Harrington,
Joseph S. Hart,	Charles E. Nelson,
James T. Calkins,	George L. Chapin,
Frederick P. Kidder.	

SAMUEL HARTWELL,	} <i>Selectmen</i>
JOHN F. FARRAR,	
ARTHUR W. KIDDER,	

*of*  
*Lincoln.*

Lincoln, Feb. 11, 1896.



# ASSESSORS' REPORT.

## VALUATION, MAY 1, 1895.

Real Estate, . . . . .	\$797,584 00
Personal Estate, . . . . .	1,637,335 00
Total, . . . . .	<u>\$2,434,919 00</u>
Additions to Real Estate, . . . . .	13,600 00
“ to Personal Estate, . . . . .	10,942 00
	<u>\$2,459,461 00</u>
Abatements, Real Estate, . . . . .	\$6,500 00
“ Personal Estate, . . . . .	5,800 00
	<u>12,300 00</u>
	<u>\$2,447,161 00</u>

## TAXES.

State Tax, . . . . .	\$1,380 00
County Tax, . . . . .	2,178 74
Town Grants, . . . . .	16,861 02
Overlayings, . . . . .	877 55
	<u>\$21,297 31</u>
Sudbury River Tax, . . . . .	18 22
Gain in fractions, . . . . .	19
	<u>\$21,315 72</u>
Additional Tax on Real Estate, . . . . .	115 60
“ “ on Personal Estate, . . . . .	93 02
	<u>\$21,524 34</u>
Abatements, Real Estate, . . . . .	\$55 25
“ Personal Estate, . . . . .	49 30
	<u>104 55</u>
	<u>\$21,419 79</u>
Additional polls, 5, . . . . .	10 00
	<u>\$21,429 79</u>

Number of polls, 300 Male, 1 Female.

Additional, 5 Male.

Each Male, \$2.00; each Female, \$0.50. Total, \$610.50.

Rate of Taxation, \$8.50 per \$1,000.

#### ASSETS.

#### LIABILITIES.

School-Houses, . . .	\$17,000 00	Water Bonds, . .	\$19,000 00
Pub. Lib. and Books, . . .	33,000 00		
Other Public Buildings, . . .	25,000 00		
Cemeteries, . . .	5,000 00		
Water Works, . . .	50,000 00		
Fire Apparatus, . . .	1,000 00		
Trust Funds, . . .	36,897 95		
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	\$167,897 95		\$19,000 00

#### PROPERTY EXEMPTED.

Library and Books, . . . . .	\$33,000 00
First Parish, . . . . .	27,800 00
Unitarian Congregational Society, . . . . .	3,050 00
St. Anne's Episcopal Society, . . . . .	3,150 00
South Hall Corporation, . . . . .	900 00

A table showing the Valuation, Tax, Tax Rate, etc., since the year 1860 :

Year	No. Polls	Value Persona Estate	Value Real Estate	Amount of Tax	Rate per \$1,000	No. Houses	No. acres Land
1861	203	\$ 159,233	\$385,660	\$4,069 53	\$6 66	125	8842
1862	205	149,695	392,445	5,137 14	8 46	128	8842
1863	199	185,756	394,215	6,798 41	10 80	128	8842
1864	204	98,117	397,041	8,277 74	15 54	130	8842
1865	200	162,680	399,481	9,359 68	15 54	129	8844
1866	198	185,855	398,865	6,725 99	10 44	129	8844
1867	202	196,149	398,930	7,633 99	11 80	131	8844
1868	203	199,915	401,601	5,120 73	7 50	132	8844
1869	206	210,479	403,147	6,876 63	10 20	135	8842
1870	213	227,931	411,631	11,545 62	17 00	136	8844
1871	239	237,627	421,455	10,612 80	15 00	138	8844
1872	231	380,860	531,425	10,740 85	10 90	139	8844
1873	217	257,085	533,287	11,639 69	13 70	145	8844
1874	235	251,797	551,827	12,702 16	14 70	146	8713
1875	250	226,816	548,972	12,391 73	14 90	147	9130
1876	256	231,077	557,713	23,921 66	17 00	154	8976
1877	269	217,572	566,038	12,684 07	15 50	157	8977
1878	254	215,302	563,074	11,016 21	13 50	155	8977
1879	362	193,749	567,259	7,373 00	9 00	157	8957
1880	257	326,748	565,839	6,583 72	6 80	159	8840
1881	264	363,677	564,344	6,906 16	6 00	159	8834
1882	257	709,160	565,366	8,803 11	6 50	156	8845
1883	278	586,407	582,186	9,671 02	7 80	160	8867
1884	287	518,676	587,201	12,075 12	10 40	160	8905
1885	284	467,079	602,890	5,703 85	4 80	163	8913
1886	284	697,448	609,320	12,067 56	8 80	164	8946
1887	296	782,085	619,995	12,089 02	8 20	170	8963
1888	282	1,000,792	629,485	10,671 67	6 20	170	8973
1889	299	751,340	633,760	17,357 65	12 10	171	8978
1890	310	890,603	649,085	13,547 38	8 40	177	8973
1891	276	1,839,382	678,095	14,897 12	5 70	180	8970
1892	283	1,704,793	704,230	18,623 18	7 50	183	8970
1893	295	1,154,403	780,310	20,893 86	10 50	187	8970
1894	314	1,457,601	785,490	18,569 73	8 00	185	8970
1895	301	1,637,335	797,584	21,315 72	8 50	185	8970

CHARLES S. SMITH, }  
 GEORGE ROPES, } *Assessors of*  
 GEO. M. BAKER, } *Lincoln.*

## Road Commissioner's Report.

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The money appropriated by the town for the repairs of Highways and Bridges for the past year, has been expended as follows: snow work, \$340; on Bedford road, \$20; Virginia road, \$111; road by Mr. Nevill's, \$78; road by Mr. Taylor's, \$35; road from turnpike to Mr. Page's old house, \$94; road by Mr. A. S. Brooks', \$142; road by North schoolhouse, \$19; road by Mr. L. F. Brooks', \$34; turnpike, \$269; in the center of the town, \$290; from the Center to Concord, \$35; from the Center to Weston, \$120; from the Center to depot, \$115; from the Center to Lincoln street, Waltham, \$215; from Mr. Page's old house to Winter street, Waltham, \$135; county road, from Weston to Lexington, \$10; from East schoolhouse to Mrs. Spencer's, \$35; South Great road, \$842, including the special appropriation of \$500; from Farnsworth's Corner to depot, \$85; roads from South Great Road to Concord, \$73; from Haynes Corner to D. H. Sherman's, \$140; at Jones' Crossing, \$80; near Weston line, south of C. O. Sargent's, \$31; for culverts, \$55; scraping roads and picking up stones, \$85; cutting brush, etc., beside roads, \$77; gravel, \$53; one car load of broken stone, \$26; tools, etc., \$23; repairs on tools and road-scraper, \$25; removing loam and stone from gravel pits, \$65; damage to Mr. E. Stackpole's team, \$31, and other general repairs, etc., \$126.55, making a total of \$3,914.55.

The guide boards of the town are in as good condition as they were last year.

Following will be found a statement of payments and receipts.

D. H. SHERMAN,	}	<i>Road Commissioners.</i>
L. E. BROOKS,		
ROGER SHERMAN,		

## PAYMENTS.

1894.			
June	E. R. Farrar,	as per bill,	\$3 00
1895.			
Jan.	17.	W. Ryan,	“ 5 25
	17.	Richard Delhanty,	“ 5 25
Feb.	8.	D. H. Sherman,	“ 19 50
	12.	J. A. Burgess,	“ 9 50
	12.	Mrs. D. Haynes,	“ 17 15
	18.	M. Murphy,	“ 2 40
	18.	W. H. Sherman,	“ 10 25
Mar.	1.	N. F. Cousins,	“ 6 00
	5.	John Coan,	“ 3 50
	8.	J. R. Hartwell,	“ 78 26
	11.	W. H. Sherman,	“ 33 00
	18.	D. H. Sherman,	“ 76 42
	22.	Roger Sherman,	“ 31 50
	24.	J. F. Farrar,	“ 11 00
	26.	Edward Ryan,	“ 2 70
	28.	John Ryan, 2nd,	“ 8 75
	28.	Edward Lahey,	“ 8 75
Apr.	30.	Wm. Ryan,	“ 12 25
	2.	S. R. Snelling,	“ 31 70
	2.	Owen Martin,	“ 3 50
	2.	Mass. Broken Stone Co.	“ 26 36
	4.	John Maguire,	“ 3 50
	4.	L. E. Brooks,	“ 27 65
	20.	Roger Sherman,	“ 38 50
	22.	Thomas Coan,	“ 10 50
	23.	L. E. Brooks,	“ 141 00
	23.	Anthony Dempsey,	“ 7 87
	27.	Edward Ryan,	“ 15 75
May	1.	Michael Kennedy,	“ 17 69
	1.	Scott & Tobin,	“ 11 00
	1.	Wm. E. Denham,	“ 20 00
	2.	Thomas Coan 2nd,	“ 15 75
	4.	James Hutton,	“ 5 25
	7.	L. E. Brooks,	“ 158 25
	14.	John Coan,	“ 15 75
	15.	Roger Sherman,	“ 198 25

*Amount carried forward,*

\$1,092 70



<i>Amount brought forward,</i>		\$1,092 70
May	15. D. W. Dougherty, as per bill,	5 84
	18. Thomas Bahn, “	8 94
	21. Michael Kennedy, “	8 75
	25. Patrick Craven, “	33 44
	25. Michael Downey, “	15 75
	25. J. F. Farrar, “	54 00
	28. John Hallinan, “	32 37
	31. Thomas Coan, 2nd, “	21 38
June	1. Edward Ryan, “	29 36
	1. Thomas Bahn, “	17 31
	1. J. A. Burgess, “	2 30
	3. Patrick Craven, “	10 50
	4. George Goodman, “	10 50
	8. Roger Sherman, “	191 25
	10. W. H. Sherman, “	160 75
	13. David Marden, “	16 62
	20. L. E. Brooks, “	205 25
	20. J. A. Burgess, “	6 90
	21. Roger Sherman, “	45 50
	25. D. H. Sherman, “	244 67
	26. J. F. Farrar, “	19 00
	26. Edward Lahey, “	5 25
	26. Patrick Craven, “	7 00
July	1. John Wright, “	10 50
	1. Patrick Craven, “	18 37
	1. Roger Sherman, “	119 25
	1. E. R. Farrar, “	3 11
	1. W. H. Church, “	10 50
Aug.	16. Roger Sherman, “	117 25
	17. James Kenna, “	10 00
	20. Patrick Craven, “	10 12
	20. C. Wright, “	42 87
	26. Roger Sherman, “	61 50
Sept.	3. W. O. Benjamin, “	6 00
	4. L. E. Brooks, “	170 65
Oct.	5. Patrick Craven, “	8 00
	8. Geo. M. Baker, “	12 20
	19. Patrick Craven, “	18 37
	26. D. H. Sherman, “	325 50
	30. Patrick Craven, “	15 75
<i>Amount carried forward,</i>		<hr/> \$3,205 27

<i>Amount brought forward,</i>		\$3,205 27	
Nov.	9. Edward Ryan, as per bill,	28 00	
	16. Patrick Craven, “	7 00	
	21. E. I. Wheeler, “	25 00	
Dec.	2. D. H. Sherman, “	119 75	
	5. W. H. Sherman, “	140 75	
	5. Isaac B. Cook, “	15 75	
	5. E. McHugh, “	2 52	
	5. Roger Sherman, “	63 00	
	13. D. W. Dougherty, “	16 50	
	17. C. Wright, “	5 25	
	25. Geo. R. Wheeler, “	40 55	
	30. L. E. Brooks, “	172 47	
1896.			
Jan.	4. A. G. Jones, “	7 19	
	31. J. L. Chapin & Son, “	8 93	
Feb.	1. Mrs. D. Haynes, “	18 30	
	1. D. H. Sherman, “	25 60	
	Frank W. Hosea, “	5 44	
	Frank W. Hosea, “	1 16	
	Eugene Jose, “	6 12	
		<hr/>	\$3,914 55

## RECEIPTS.

Appropriation, . . . . .	\$3,000 00	
Special Appropriation, . . . . .	500 00	
	<hr/>	\$3,500 00
Expended above Appropriations, . . . . .		\$414 55

I have examined the accounts of the Road Commissioners and find them correct.

W. L. G. PEIRCE, *Auditor.*

## Report of State Highway Committee.

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The committee appointed by the Town of Lincoln to build a mile of State road, signed a contract with the State Highway Commission, Aug. 2, 1895. The prices were too small for some parts of the work, but it seemed the best we could do at the time.

The stone used on the road was bought of the citizens in the neighborhood at thirty-five cents per ton, delivered at the crusher, and a contract was made with the American Road Machine Co. to crush the same at thirty-five cents per ton.

It was the intention of the Commissioners to build a stone road fifteen feet wide, with three feet of gravel on either side, but owing to the absence of gravel at any reasonable distance, it was decided to put the stone on twenty-one feet wide, thus giving us a much better road. It was impossible to ascertain the amount of some of the material for the road until we were ready to use it, when perhaps we might have bought to better advantage if we had had more time.

The dimension stone for the culvert below Mr. Samuel Hartwell's cost more in Acton than we got for it after it was laid. The State allowed nothing for incidental work, such as putting in scales, digging wells, etc., and these all added together made quite an expense.

There is some work to be done yet on the sides of the road, and Mr. McHugh's land where the crusher and scales now stand will have to be cleared up.

There are some bills unpaid, and something due us yet from the State. Owing to these facts the following account is not quite complete.

When the road is finished it will probably cost the Town of Lincoln in the neighborhood of five hundred dollars.

## RECEIPTS AND EXPENDITURES

BY THE TOWN OF LINCOLN ON ACCOUNT OF THE STATE  
HIGHWAY IN THE NORTH PART OF THE TOWN.

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Received from State Treasurer,	\$5,841 05	
“ “ Concord Golf Club,	30 00	
“ “ Samuel Hartwell, for stone and use of roller,	56 00	
“ “ Angus McLeod, for old posts,	75	
	<hr/>	\$5,927 80
Paid for stone to L. E. Brooks, 62.43 tons,	21 85	
Edward McHugh, 945.76 tons,	331 01	
John Flannery, 60.36 tons,	21 12	
Eugene Jose, 57.55 tons,	20 14	
John Curry, 251.67 tons,	88 08	
John Dee, 433.22 tons,	151 62	
Frank Hosea, 781.52 tons,	273 53	
Thos. Lynah, 172.62 tons,	60 41	
M. A. Murphy, 77.76 tons,	27 21	
	<hr/>	994 97
Paid on account of Steam Roller:		
Town of Arlington, use of roller,	\$434 27	
J. B. Wood, 33,930 lbs. coal,	81 98	
Engineer,	25 70	
Board of Engineer,	17 85	
John Dee, wood,	3 00	
	<hr/>	560 80

## Paid for Labor at \$1.50 per day :

Michael Cuff,	\$21 83
Frank Dalton,	36 33
John B. White,	6 75
Michael O'Brien,	23 25
William O'Donald,	10 50
Dennis Hallisy,	18 83
John Foley,	14 77
Patrick Hoar,	16 08
William Collins,	16 08
Geo. N. Bean and team,	163 16
James Giblin,	46 83
John Wright,	79 25
Henry Butcher,	3 00
John Malone,	43 25
Allan McKinnon,	91 67
Owen Martin,	36 16
John Maguire,	45 49
James Flynn and team,	147 91
George Holman,	41 42
William Dempsey,	8 25
Roger Sherman and team,	147 65
John Towler,	76 77
Harry Bamforth,	35 00
Anthony Dempsey,	6 00
John J. Driscoll and team,	119 49
Thomas L. Giles,	78 00
Edward Giblin,	1 50
Richard Delehanty,	53 74
Samuel Davidson,	33 91
William Bolls,	33 00
Daniel Holman,	74 50
Frank Ehlert,	33 00
Isaac B. Cook,	70 42
James Roach,	68 74
James Butcher,	18 00
William Ryan,	55 24
Moses Wright,	99 25
M. A. Murphy and team,	179 85
James Connors,	18 08

*Amount carried forward,*\$2,072 95



<i>Amount brought forward,</i>	\$2,072 95	
Paid L. E. Brooks and teams,	249 92	
Edward McHugh,	57 50	
John Flannery and team,	58 00	
A. S. Brooks,	22 75	
John F. Farrar and team,	274 50	
John Curry,	112 08	
E. L. Miner,	15 00	
F. W. Hosea,	13 50	
Nathan T. Lynah and team,	171 67	
John Hamlin,	6 00	
Thomas Sullivan,	4 50	
Thomas Ryan,	6 33	
John Nevilles,	3 00	
Joseph Shea,	75	
John Ryan,	3 83	
William Staunton,	63 33	
Malcolm McKinnon,	24 42	
Charles Wright,	36 42	
William Reagan,	10 50	
James Mack,	10 50	
William Fanning,	9 00	
John Dee,	1 50	
	<hr/>	3,227 95

## MISCELLANEOUS EXPENDITURES.

Bigelow & Dowse Co., tools,	64 97
J. B. Wood, lumber for scales,	20 83
Osgood Scales Co., scales,	50 00
Buttrick Lumber Co., lumber for fence,	65 32
N. S. Fisk, drag plank,	6 00
Acton Granite Co., stone for culvert,	55 00
Martin Bulger, 315 loads gravel,	15 75
H. L. & H. K. Potter, water cart,	37 50
Am. Road Machine Co., crushing stone,	600 00
G. F. Frost, drain pipe,	95 86
H. McKinnon, making two drags and two eveners,	6 00
Samuel Hartwell, 143 chestnut posts,	28 60
Samuel Hartwell, line and sharpening drills,	1 00
A. S. Brooks, cash paid for 12 grub hoes,	9 20
A. S. Brooks, cash paid for 25 lbs. nails,	1 00
A. S. Brooks, freight on stone,	14 40
J. A. Burgess, sharpening and repair- ing tools,	19 85
Cash paid for tools, freight and express,	5 25
Lock, hinges, etc.,	65
James L. Chapin, oil and tools,	11 71
Dynamite and caps,	1 25
30 feet 12-inch drain pipe,	10 20
Use of stone wagon,	2 50
12 lanterns,	3 75
Stationery,	1 80
1 axe,	62
	<hr/> 1,129 01
Total Expenditures,	<hr/> \$5,912 73

S. H. PIERCE,	} <i>State Highway</i>
JOHN F. FARRAR,	
LORENZO E. BROOKS.	

*Committee.*

## Report of the Committee on Public Improvements.

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The Committee on Public Improvements appointed at the last annual town meeting, herewith present their annual report.

In their last report (Town-book 1894-95, page 39) your Committee presented the reasons which had delayed their entering, up to that time, upon the work belonging to them, and recommended that the Committee be continued for another year, which was accordingly done.

In the same report the Committee made special reference to the demand which seemed to exist for some improvement upon the piece of road then recently built between Lincoln and the railroad station. No action on this matter was taken during the last year. Nevertheless, the road is now more largely used than any other piece of road of equal length in the town, and the time would seem to have come when systematic action should be taken towards improving and beautifying it. The Committee, therefore, would recommend that the sum of \$100 be put at its disposal for the purpose of purchasing shade trees, etc., and setting them out on the borders of this road, as well as in certain other localities in the town.

During the past autumn your Committee, through a circular, called the attention of the inhabitants of the town, especially those having elm trees on their premises, or owning orchards, to the ravages of the canker worm. In addition to the disfigurement caused by these insects, the pecuniary loss they inflict upon the town, by stripping the apple trees of foliage immediately after the period of blossoming, represents a sum, a fractional part of which would in the judgment of your Committee suffice in a very few years, if properly and systematically applied, practically to exterminate the pests within Lincoln bounds. The difficulty seems to be that, while people are, in May and June, very sensitive

to the disfigurement and consequent loss occasioned, before November and December arrive, when the necessary measures should be taken, this feeling of injury has to a great degree passed away, and no preventive steps are taken against another year. Accordingly, the next season the insect, unchecked, propagates still further, spreading his incursions over more trees and yet other orchards. Any person who, during the first half of June, will visit the reservoir on the top of Lincoln hill, will be surprised to see how large a portion of the country before him looks as if the trees had been devastated by fire. The foliage is destroyed, and with it, in the case of orchards, the apple blossoms. This important part of our fruit crop is thus practically swept out of existence, to the manifest injury of all concerned.

The Committee call especial attention to this matter for the obvious reason that, while the loss incurred is great, the means of prevention are simple and effective. They require only to be practiced. During the last autumn the Committee procured a quantity of material necessary in this work of prevention, and placed it for distribution at certain central points; and, moreover, they offered to contribute the assistance of those skilled in their use towards applying the remedies. The consequent demand for the material was less than was desired, or would naturally have been expected. The Committee now wish to call special attention to the subject at this time, as they are prepared to make the same offer for the current year; but nothing effective can be accomplished against the canker-worm pest except through a general and earnest co-operation.

The Committee would recommend that an appropriation of \$150 be placed at their disposal for the current year, \$100 to be applied to the purchase and setting out of shade trees, and \$50 to providing material, etc., for the extermination of the canker worm.

All of which is respectfully submitted.

CHARLES FRANCIS ADAMS,	} Committee.
SAML. H. PIERCE,	
GEO. ROPES,	

## Report of the Board of Health.

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The Board of Health respectfully presents the following report to the inhabitants of the Town of Lincoln :

The members elect of the Board of Health met for organization on the 14th of March last. Rev. Edward E. Bradley was chosen Clerk of the Board, and Dr. M. W. Kidder as Chairman. Two days later, Mr. Bradley, in view of the work which was to come before us, considered it incompatible with his usefulness in other ways, and tendered his resignation, which was accepted, for the reason assigned.

At a convention of the two Boards, of Selectmen and Health, on the 30th of March, Mr. Joseph S. Hart was chosen to fill the existing vacancy in the Board of Health. At a meeting of the Board on the 10th of April, Mr. Hart was elected Clerk. At this meeting a public notice was ordered to be printed and posted, requiring care to avoid committing a nuisance in the keeping of swine. The effect of this requirement was marked, and we have received but one complaint of a disregard of this order. The nuisance was immediately abated. The attention of the Board has been called to five cases of diphtheria, two of which resulted fatally. Six cases of scarlatina of a mild type, and one of typhoid fever, terminating in death.

The Board was also required to take action against a threatened invasion of glanders among horses, which was fortunately confined to the premises where it made its appearance. The Board has also been much occupied in the effort to abate the defilement of the water of Sandy Pond. Our first aim was, if possible, to penetrate the obscurities of the law relative to our duties in the case. We



sought counsel, which after much delay, rendered us but little assistance. After essential amendments, however, a code of regulations was adopted and posted.

It was with much regret that we learned that the regulations of the Board were being disregarded by one of our townsmen, making it necessary for us to prove the legality of our regulations, which were sustained by the court, but the case was decided against the town, upon a doubtful rendering of a section of a law of 1872. The duty of the Board in this case did not depend upon the ownership of the pond, but upon the fact that the water is distributed and used for domestic purposes, the defilement of which we were bound to arrest if possible. Several appeals to the Secretary of the State Board accomplished nothing. We could not find out whose business it was to apply the corrective. According to the best light we could obtain we proceeded, with the above result.

The matter is still unsettled, and will call for further action unless the abuse is abated. The need of more simple laws for the guidance of Boards of Health is painfully evident. We have held twelve meetings within the year, and hope the work we have begun will be continued faithfully until all cause for complaint is done away.

MOSES W. KIDDER,	}	<i>Board of Health.</i>
SAM'L H. PIERCE,		
JOS. S. HART.		

## TOWN CLERK'S REPORT.

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For the year ending Jan. 1, 1896, there have been registered :

16 Births,  
10 Marriages,  
19 Deaths,

a list of which will be found following this report.

There have been licensed 119 dogs, 103 males and 16 females, for which \$262.20 have been paid to the County Treasurer.

JAMES L. CHAPIN, *Town Clerk.*

LINCOLN, Feb. 6, 1896.

## BIRTHS REGISTERED.

Date of Birth.	Name of Child.	Names of Parents.
Jan. 4, 1895,	Francis Albert Bennett.	William H. and Amelia Bennett.
Feb. 16, "	Margaret Gilbert.	Napoleon and Agnes Gilbert.
" 21, "	Margaret Weaver.	George F. and Jennette Weaver.
Mar. 3, "	James Ryan.	John and Statia Ryan.
" 20, "	Lelia E. Thomes.	Fred D. and Alice S. Thomes.
Apr. 12, "	Arthur Edwin Rice.	Edwin B. and Madeline A. Rice.
June 3, "	Louise Bemis Chapin.	George L. and Clara L. Chapin.
July 6, "	Francis Maguire.	Michael and Delia Maguire.
" 12, "	John Kenna.	James J. and Catherine Kenna.
" 21, "	Charles Hugh Connors.	Charles and Bridget Connors
Aug. 29, "	Infant Parker.	Edward H. and Fanny M. Parker.
Oct. 11, "	—— Dempsey.	Edward and Winnifred M. Dempsey.
Nov. 2, "	Francis Scherman.	Valentine and Delia Scherman.
" 25, "	Mary O'Brien.	James and Ellen O'Brien.
Dec. 5, "	—— Brooks.	Lorenzo E. and Emily A. Brooks.
" 10, "	Margarette P. Mayo.	Robert E. and Margaret A. Mayo.

Whole number of Births registered, . . . . . 16

Males, . . . . . 9

Females, . . . . . 7

*Nativity of Parents.*

United States, . . . . . 13

Ireland, . . . . . 11

Nova Scotia, . . . . . 5

England, . . . . . 2

Prince Edward Island,  . . . . . 1

## MARRIAGES REGISTERED.

Date of Marriage.	Names.	Age.	Residence.
Jan. 1, 1895,	{ Herbert E. Jenkins. Elizabeth E. Broad.	24 23	Lee, N. H. Lee, N. H.
" 29, "	{ Henry Blanchard. Mary Gallant.	22 25	Lincoln. Concord.
" 30, "	{ George E. Waite. Eliza Horton.	27 27	Groton. Lincoln.
Feb. 12, "	{ Robert E. Mayo. Margaret A. Delory.	23 23	Lincoln. Lincoln.
May 12, "	{ James O. Bryan. Ellen Martin.	27 26	Lincoln. Lincoln.
June 27, "	{ Martin A. Williams. Joanna E. Lennon.	26 19	Concord. Lincoln.
Aug. 25, "	{ Peter Trumley. Maggie Murphy.	32 18	Lexington. Lexington.
Sept. 3, "	{ Herbert W. Farrar. Alice Giles.	36 26	Lincoln. Rockport.
Nov. 6, "	{ William C. Peirce. Harriet M. Titcomb.	37 28	Lincoln. West Newbury.
" 21, "	{ Harrie A. Clark. Susan Hall.	21 19	Lincoln. Cambridge.

Whole number of Marriages registered, . . . . . 10

## DEATHS REGISTERED.

Date of Death.	Names.	Age. Y. Mo. D.	Cause of Death.
Jan. 6, 1895.	Thomas White.	39 3 11	Carcemonia of Stomach.
" 21, "	Eda B. Barnes.	71 11 12	Heart Disease, Complicated.
Feb. 22, "	James Farrar.	74 5	Pneumonia.
" 25, "	Edward C. Foster.	42 11	Consumption.
Apr. 4, "	Lelia E. Thomas.	14	Diphtheria.
May 19, "	Henry Bennett.	3 5 24	Capillary Bronchitis.
June 19, "	William Johnson.	75 3	Prostration, Paralysis.
" 30, "	Edward N. Haynes.	53 7 16	Chronic Rheumatism.
July 9, "	Ellen Wheeler.	60 10	Heart Disease, Rheumatism.
" 10, "	Elizabeth A. Hunter.	83 5 6	Apoplexia.
Aug. 24, "	Stanley P. Wiley.	1 12	Enterocolitis.
Sept. 1, "	— Parker.	3	Convulsions.
" 13, "	William A. Patterson.	38 2 20	Ch. Interstitial Nephritis.
Oct. 3, "	Florence E. Rice.	3 6 11	Meningitis.
" 20, "	Jeffrey Spencer.	49	Pulmonary Phthisis.
" 31, "	Lydia M. McLeod.	11 10 14	Malignant Diphtheria.
Nov. 26, "	Mary O'Brien.	1	Premature Birth.
Dec. 3, "	Sarah A. Wheeler.	59 9	Heart Disease.
" 10, "	John Magrath.	85	Old Age.

Whole number of Deaths registered, . . . . . 19

Males, . . . . . 12

Females, . . . . . 7

## WATER COMMISSIONERS' REPORT.

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The Water Commissioners respectfully present to the town their annual report:

The works taken as a whole, are in as satisfactory condition as could be expected.

The pumps by almost constant repairing are enabled to perform the work required.

The pipes seem to be in good order. There have been no leaks discovered during the year.

The chimney has been lengthened about twenty-five feet, which gives us much better draught.

There have been some alterations made in the boiler, which reduce the amount of coal consumed, more than ten per cent.

During the month of April, Mr. Snow continued the work on the East extension, which was completed according to contract. Application being made for an extension of the water pipes on the Tower Road, so called, the usual guarantee of four per cent. on cost of construction was given, and the town authorized the commissioners to lay the pipes. The contract was given to Mr. F. A. Snow, for twenty cents per foot, for digging and filling and laying a four inch pipe as far as Mr. J. Underwood's house, a distance of 5860 feet. The pipe cost twenty-seven dollars and twenty-five cents a ton. We also laid, at our own expense, four hundred and fifty feet of 6 in. pipe, from the main line to a point opposite the house of Mr. Trask.

There are thirty-six hydrants. We would recommend that the town allow five dollars each for the use of water in case of fire.

Below will be found a detailed account of the income and expenses.

LEONARD W. WESTON, *Chairman.*



Payments by the Town on account of extension of water works in the east part of the town.

John F. Farrar, Inspector,	. . . . .	\$12 00
Frederick P. Kidder, Inspector,	. . . . .	95 00
Fitchburg, R. R. Co.,	. . . . .	18 00
F. A. Snow, on account of contract,	. . . . .	3,240 26
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		\$3,365 26
Retained 5 per cent. F. A. Snow's account,		\$196 86

Payments by the Town on account of Tower Road extension.

Walworth Mfg. Co., pipe,	. . . . .	\$1,222 21
Builders Iron Foundry, specials,	. . . . .	38 40
Chapman Valve Mfg. Co., gates and hydrants,	. . . . .	93 20
Zenas G. Smith, teaming pipe on Snow's account,	. . . . .	44 16
F. A. Snow, on account of contract,	. . . . .	1,300 00
Fitchburg R. R. Co., freight,	. . . . .	140 94
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		\$2,838 91

The following are the receipts and expenditures of the Lincoln Water Works for the year :

#### RECEIPTS.

Balance on hand Feb. 1, 1895,	. . . . .	\$63 99
Water rates due in 1894,	. . . . .	376 66
Water rates in 1895,	. . . . .	3,509 01
Old junk sold,	. . . . .	3 25
Received from pipe and fittings sold,	. . . . .	136 24
Rebate from Walworth Mfg. Co.,	. . . . .	2 93
2 shut-off boxes sold,	. . . . .	2 00
One 4 in. gate and box,	. . . . .	11 38
Interest on Bank account,	. . . . .	1 89
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		\$4,107 35

#### EXPENDITURES.

Walworth Mfg. Co., tools,	. . . . .	\$46 41
Pipe and fittings for new exhaust pipe		
at pumping station,	. . . . .	32 99
Pipe and fittings, gate boxes, etc.,	. . . . .	341 59
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Amount carried forward,	. . . . .	\$420 99

<i>Amount brought forward,</i>				\$420 99
James T. Laird,				
Pumping 155 days, 3 hours @ \$2.25,				349 42
"    109 days, 2½ hours @ \$2.50,				273 12
Extra labor,				128 55
Henry R. Worthington, valves, etc.,				8 02
Davis & Farnum Mfg. Co., machine work,				2 10
Old Colony Paint Co., oil,				18 50
John Ryan, labor on hydrants,				10 00
L. W. Weston, cash paid man from				
Waltham water works,				12 00
L. W. Weston, cash paid express,				6 08
L. W. Weston, teaming, labor, labor of				
men, etc.,				49 03
L. W. Weston, services as Water Commis-				
sioner in 1894,				50 00
L. W. Weston, services as Water Commis-				
sioner in 1895,				50 00
Waltham Water Works,				7 81
S. D. Hicks & Son, repairing air chamber,				6 21
"    "    "    copper on chimney and				
labor,				8 70
King & Goddard, tools,				26 46
H. W. Johns' Mfg. Co., asbestos covering,				9 63
A. G. Stewart, board for reservoir,				3 00
Fitchburg, R. R. Co., freight and express,				
cement lined pipe,				117 54
Bernard Harris, labor on services, leaks, etc.				34 35
Thomas Groom, stationery and printing,				12 25
William C. Peirce, labor,				7 75
Arthur Wood, digging trench,				11 33
Zenas G. Smith, teaming coal,				106 71
"    "    "    hauling staging from and				
to Waltham,				18 00
David Marden, labor,				1 05
Fred H. Kirwin, plumbing,				6 00
F. D. Weld, ladder,				1 44
Michael Donovan, digging trench,				9 63
<i>Amount carried forward,</i>				\$1,765 67

<i>Amount brought forward,</i>	\$1,765 67
Whiting & Stahl, oil,	1 40
J. F. Jones & Co., oil,	1 60
Waltham Coal Co., coal, brick, lime and cement,	98 57
Chapman Valve Mfg. Co., 3 hydrants,	76 53
“ “ “ “ 12 wrenches,	7 50
“ “ “ “ 1 gate, and 2 gates repaired,	13 88
Garfield & Proctor Coal Co., 23 tons 1200 lbs. @ \$3.75 gross,	88 50
Garfield & Proctor Coal Co., 232,050 lbs. @ \$3.50 gross tons,	362 58
James Boyle, labor taking down and re- building chimney,	213 05
W. F. Atwood, iron door,	1 50
Town of Lincoln, interest on bonds,	800 00
John A. Conley & Co., slating,	5 00
G. W. Hall & Co., chair and cushion,	5 50
Edward R. Farrar, sand,	3 75
M. L. Hatch, plumbing,	11 78
Frank H. Ehlert, labor,	2 25
John R. Hartwell, moving pipe and hydrant and filling trench,	5 75
Smith & Ludden, drafting lease of land in East Lincoln and consulting about the same,	15 00
Edward Ryan, labor,	13 80
John B. Lennon, labor,	7 50
Franklin A. Snow, digging and laying 6 in. pipe as far as C. H. Trask, Jr's,	128 82
J. A. Burgess, wrenches,	8 75
Roger Sherman, filling trenches and laying culvert, etc.,	24 43
John Ryan, labor,	1 75
Geo. L. Chapin, services as Water Com- missioner and Collector in 1894,	50 00
<i>Amount carried forward,</i>	\$3,714 86

<i>Amount brought forward,</i>	.	.	.	\$3,714 86
Geo. L. Chapin, services as Water Commissioner and Collector in 1895,	.	.	.	50 00
James L. Chapin & Son, sundries,	.	.	.	16 37
Crosby Steam Gauge Co., clock,	.	.	.	30 00
William Ryan, labor,	.	.	.	8 75
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				\$3,819 98
Balance on hand, Feb. 1, 1896,	.	.	.	\$287 37
Water rates due and uncollected,	.	.	.	\$350 00

GEO. L. CHAPIN, *Treasurer.*

Having examined the accounts of the Treasurer of the Lincoln Water Commissioners I find them correct.

W. L. G. PEIRCE, *Auditor.*

NOTE:—Uncollected rates reported to the town last year were \$409.48. Of this amount \$32.82 has been abated.

Stock on hand, Feb. 1, 1896. In addition to the tools reported on hand last year.

A set of Walworth die plates from  $\frac{3}{4}$  inch to 3 inch, complete.

3 pipe cutters to cut from  $\frac{1}{2}$  inch to 3 inch.

2 pairs tongs.

1  $\frac{1}{2}$  inch drill tap and reamer combined.

1  $\frac{3}{4}$  " " " " " "

1 Packer ratchet.

1 socket wrench.

450 feet  $\frac{3}{4}$  inch galvanized iron pipe.

10 service boxes.

8 lengths 6 inch cast iron pipe.

5 " 4 " " " "

6  $\frac{3}{4}$  inch hose bibbs.

5  $\frac{3}{4}$  " corporation cocks.

6  $\frac{3}{4}$  " S. & W., cocks.

1  $1\frac{1}{4}$  " " " heavy.

2  $1\frac{1}{2}$  " galvanized unions.

11  $\frac{3}{4}$  " " elbows.

4  $\frac{3}{4}$  " " unions.

11  $\frac{3}{4}$  " " tees.

1 8 foot length suction hose for diaphragm pump.

## Report of Committee on School-house.

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The last annual Warrant (1894-5) contained the following article :—

ARTICLE 11. To see if the Town will enlarge the Center School-house, borrow and appropriate money for the same, and appoint a Building Committee to take charge of the work, and see that it is done before the first of September, 1895, as recommended in the report of the School Committee.

At the annual town meeting this Article was referred to a special committee of seven, consisting of the following: Charles F. Adams, John H. Pierce, Moses W. Kidder, George Flint, Charles S. Wheeler, James L. Chapin, and Charles S. Smith.

To this Committee was also referred so much of the Report of the School Committee in 1894-5 as related to the matter in question with intructions to consider the whole subject, and to report at a later day either to a special town meeting to be thereafter called, or to the next annual town meeting.

The Committee has fully considered the subject, and would respectfully report as follows :—

“Schools in the woods,” as they are not inaptly called, such as the North School has been and now is, may be said to be in Massachusetts towns of the better class, things of the past. In conducting them all grading is out of the question, and the educational results are correspondingly poor. These schools, therefore, universally abandoned in towns like Lincoln, are continued only in the poorer and more sparsely settled communities. That, under these circumstances, the North School should be permanently continued seems to your Committee inadvisable.



The only question then is as to when and how it shall be discontinued.

The experiment of bringing the children of the North to the Center School heretofore attempted, did not prove a success. The Center school-house is limited in capacity, and does not contain accommodations for any system of graded schools in addition to the High School. Its ventilation also is defective, and the moment the school-rooms become crowded the air is so bad as materially to interfere with school work, as well as to be injurious to the health of the scholars.

The Center School also does not stand upon land owned by the town, nor is it connected with a playground. All the children at recess,—and where children are transported from a distance to school, those so transported between school sessions, as well as during the recess,—are necessarily forced under present circumstances into the street for play and recreation. While this is bad enough under any circumstances, it is a state of affairs which could not be permitted to continue if the town is to adopt as a permanent school policy the system of transporting children from distant homes to the school-house, there to remain from the beginning of the morning session until the end of the session in the afternoon. If such a plan is adopted, a playground for those children must be provided. They cannot be forced into the streets, and kept there.

The Committee, therefore, found itself forced to consider in the first place the location of a school-house at the Center suitable for the reception of the children not only living in its vicinity but brought to it from a distance. That school-house also must of necessity be large enough to accommodate not only a High School but a system of graded subordinate schools. In other words, it must have at least three, if not four, adequate, well-ventilated school-rooms, in addition to a playground.

The first question for the Committee to decide, was whether such a school-house and playground could be best provided at or near the site upon which the present school-house stands, or elsewhere. All the ground upon which the present school-house stands belongs either to the church or to Mr. James L. Chapin. To provide the necessary accommodation at this point, so far as space is concerned, it would be necessary, if the present building were retained, to move it a sufficient distance back from the

street, and to take not only the land upon which the building when moved would stand, but also a sufficient adjoining space to provide the children with an ample playground.

As a permanent site for the school-house and play-ground to be owned by the town, the location did not seem to the majority of your Committee satisfactory or desirable. A playground for children, especially if they are to pass the entire day at the school-house, should be sheltered, and have a southerly exposure. The land in the rear of the existing school-house inclines to the north and west, and is ill adapted for playground purposes, especially in winter. On the other hand, nearly opposite the existing school-house, close to the site upon which the former Globe tavern stands, there is an excellent open space, admirably adapted for school-house and playground use. The Committee examined numerous other sites, but found none in their judgment so advantageous as this.

A majority of the Committee is, therefore, of opinion that the town should take the necessary steps to acquire at the earliest possible date either the whole or a sufficient part of the old Globe tavern site upon which to place a school-house, with provision for a playground about it of at least an acre in extent.

The site of school-house and playground being thus provided, it was necessary next to consider the question of the building itself. One of three courses could be pursued. Either the present Center school building could be retained as a High School, while an entirely new building, with accommodations for a system of graded subordinate schools similar to those in South Lincoln, could be erected on the land hereafter to be acquired; or a new building might be erected on this land adequate for the accommodation of the High School, as well as the subordinate graded schools; or, thirdly, the present building could be moved from the site where it now is, and, in an enlarged shape, placed upon the land to be acquired.

The Committee cannot recommend retaining the present Center School as a High School, and the building of another school-house for the subordinate graded schools upon a different site. So doing would involve an annual expenditure for heating, janitor's work, etc., which would materially increase the present school appropriation.

This alone, in a town the number of whose school children is so limited as in Lincoln, decides the question. It is better, wherever

so doing is reasonably practicable, to concentrate the schools under one roof.

Were the town financially in as good a position as it should be, the majority of the Committee would be strongly inclined to recommend the sale of the present Center school building and the erection of a wholly new building, with all the modern improvements, so far as heating and ventilation are concerned, upon the site which it is now proposed to purchase. Under existing conditions, however, the Committee is not prepared to recommend this course. Economy seems from every point of view at present desirable.

It only remains, therefore, to remove the present school-house from the site where it now is to that, the purchase of which is recommended by the Committee.

The Committee have caused careful inquiry to be made, and submit the following as an estimate of the approximate cost of the work recommended:—

The moving of the school building,	\$400	
Cellar and foundations,	500	
Cost of addition,	2,500	
New appliances for heating and ventilation,	500	
	<hr/>	\$3,900
Add 15 per cent. for contingencies,		585
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Total,		\$4,485

The cost of the land which it is proposed to acquire is not included in the foregoing estimate.

The majority of the Committee, therefore, recommend that the necessary land be acquired, and that the present school building be moved to it, and there enlarged and remodelled.

The town, however, may not feel prepared at this time to enter at once upon so large an expenditure as that proposed, in which case your committee would recommend that a temporary arrangement of another character be effected. There are at present but eighteen scholars in the High School, with no prospective increase of the number, costing the town, as our statistics show, not far from \$75 each annually. The Committee cannot recommend a continuance of the North School as now conducted. They would, therefore, recommend both as a measure of economy, and to secure better educational advantages, that the scholars now

attending the North School be transported to the Center. They would then further recommend that provision be made, if possible, for sending the eighteen scholars of the High School to the Concord High School, thus vacating the room in the present school building now occupied for high school purposes, and making it available for the better grading of the grammar and primary schools. Were an arrangement of this character made, it is probable that, so far as the teaching of the scholars both of the High and of the other schools, it would cost the town no more than the existing arrangement; while the large items of expense for mending and altering the present schoolhouse could be postponed to another year, or until the town is prepared to erect a proper combined high and grammar school building on land hereafter to be acquired. In any event, however, the majority of your committee are of the opinion that the sum of \$500 should be appropriated to supply the present school-house with new and proper appliances for heating and ventilation.

The Committee, therefore, submit the following alternative votes for the consideration of the town :

*Voted:* That the School Committee be instructed to acquire the necessary land in some convenient central locality for the accommodation of the combined high and grammar school and adjacent playground, and that the sum of \$                      be appropriated therefor.

*Voted:* That when the necessary land shall have been acquired in accordance with the foregoing vote, the school committee be instructed to prepare the necessary plans and cause the necessary estimates to be made for the transfer of the present center school building to the site thus acquired, and the subsequent remodelling of said building, and submit such plans and approximate estimates to the town at a special town meeting to be hereafter called; or, as an alternative, the Committee would recommend the passage of the following:

*Voted:* That the School Committee be instructed to make arrangements for the transportation of the scholars, who, during the past year have attended the North School, to the Center School, and thereupon discontinue the North School; and the sum of \$                 is hereby appropriated to defray the cost of such transfer during the coming year.



*Voted:* That the School Committee is hereby instructed to ascertain from the School Committee of the town of Concord what arrangement, if any, can be made to receive and provide for the High School scholars of Lincoln, in the Concord High School, and the cost per scholar of so doing; and that said School Committee have full power to make an arrangement of that nature, if any is practicable, and also an arrangement for the transportation of said scholars from Lincoln to Concord, and the expense of such arrangement, if made, be defrayed out of the school appropriation for the current year.

CHARLES FRANCIS ADAMS,

*Chairman.*

February 1, 1896.



# Report of the Commissioners of Sinking and Trust Funds.

GEORGE ROPES, *Treasurer Commissioners Sinking and Trust Funds,*  
*In Account with the Sinking Fund.*

1895.

DR.

Feb. 1.	To cash in Old Colony Trust Co.,	.	.	.	.	\$271 98
May 20.	" " received Charles S. Wheeler, Treasurer,	.				726 50
" 20.	" interest Old Colony Trust Co.,	.	.	.	.	1 52
						<u>\$1,000 00</u>

1895.

CR.

May 28.	By cash paid at National Bank of the Commonwealth, for Bond No. 9 of the Lincoln Water Loan, paid					
	March 27, 1895,	.	.	.	.	\$1,000 00
						<u>\$1,000 00</u>

E. &amp; O. E.

GEO. ROPES, *Treasurer.*

LINCOLN, Feb. 1, 1896.

GEORGE ROPES, *Treasurer Commissioners Sinking and Trust Funds,*  
 IN ACCOUNT WITH  
*The George Russell Legacy to the Lincoln Library.*

1895.

DR.

Feb. 1.	To cash in Old Colony Trust Co.,	\$110 95
July 16.	“ cash received, dividend 15 shares Fitchburg R. R. Co. preferred stock, declared July 15, 1895,	14 00

1896.

Jan. 17.	To cash received, dividend 15 shares Fitchburg R. R. Co. preferred stock, declared Jan. 15, 1896,	14 00
“ 17.	“ interest Old Colony Trust Co.,	11
		<u>\$139 06</u>

1896.

CR.

Feb. 1.	By cash in Old Colony Trust Co.,	<u>\$139 06</u>
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The present investment of this Fund is as follows, viz. :

The John Landahl farm, being the northeast quarter of Section 8, Township 130, Range 61, in Dickey County, North Dakota. Whole acreage 160 (upland 153, meadow 7), no buildings, acquired by foreclosure of mortgage, for	<u>\$325 00</u>
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Payment of interest ceased.

The Globe Investment Co. has a claim against said property for foreclosure expenses, etc., due October 26, 1894, of	\$133 48
Unpaid taxes for 1892-93, with taxes for 1894 to be added,	36 36
Claims against this property, to Feb. 1, 1895,	<u>\$169 84</u>

Seven shares Fitchburg R. R. Co. preferred stock, value	\$637 00
Cash in Old Colony Trust Co.,	139 06
	<u>\$776 06</u>

E. &amp; O. E.

GEO. ROPES, *Treasurer.*

LINCOLN, Feb. 1, 1896.

GEORGE ROPES, *Treasurer Commissioners Sinking and Trust Funds,*  
IN ACCOUNT WITH  
*The George G. Tarbell Legacy to the Lincoln Library.*

1895.	DR.			
Feb. 18.	To cash received,	6 mos. interest to Feb. 4, 1895,		
		Caroline A. Nye's mortgage note,	\$25	00
June 21.	" "	6 mos. interest to Jan. 15, 1895, on		
		C. H. Stratton's mortgage note, .	45	00
July 1.	" "	dividend 8 shares Boston & Lowell		
		R. R. Co., . . . . .	28	00
" 2.	" "	dividend 13 shares West End R. R.		
		Co. preferred stock, . . . .	26	00
Aug. 13.	" "	6 mos. interest to Aug. 4, 1895,		
		Caroline A. Nye's mortgage note,	25	00
1896.				
Jan. 1.	" "	dividend Boston & Lowell R.R. Co.,	28	00
" 1.	" "	" West End R. R. Co. pre-		
		ferred stock, . . . . .	26	00
" 25.	" "	6 mos. interest to Dec. 15, 1895,		
		C. H. Stratton's mortgage note, .	45	00
				<u>\$248 00.</u>
1895.	CR.			
July 27.	By cash paid Samuel Hartwell, Treasurer, Lincoln Lib'y,		99	00
1896.				
Jan. 23.	" "	" " " "	104	00
" 28.	" "	" " " "	45	00
				<u>\$248 00</u>

The present investment of this Fund is as follows, viz.:

Caroline A. Nye's note, Feb. 4, 1890, 5 years, int. at 5 per cent.	
per annum, secured by mtge. on estate on Garden St., Boston,	\$1,000 00
C. H. Stratton's note, June 15, 1891, 2 years, int. at 6 per cent.	
per annum, secured by mortgage on farm in Lincoln, . . .	1,500 00
8 shares Boston & Lowell R. R. stock, value . . . . .	1,615 00
13 shares West End R. R. Co.'s preferred stock, value . . .	1,170 00
	<u>\$5,285 00</u>

E. & O. E.

GEO. ROPES, *Treasurer.*

LINCOLN, Feb. 1, 1896.

I have examined the accounts of the Treasurer of the Sinking and Trust Funds, and find them correct.

W. L. G. PEIRCE, *Auditor.*

JULIUS E. EVELETH, TREASURER, *in account with the* GEO. F. BEMIS  
LECTURE FUND.

## DR.

1895.

Jan. 1.	Balance on deposit with Boston Safe Dep. & Trust Co.,	\$356 36
"	Fitchburg R. R. Co., Dividends Jan., July,	80 00
"	Boston & Lowell R. R. Corp., " Jan., July,	350 00
"	West End Street Railway Co., " Jan., July,	132 00
"	Boston & Albany R. R. Co., " Jan., Apr., July, Oct.,	160 00
"	" " " " " Dec. 31 as Jan., '96,	40 00
"	Old Colony R. R. Co., " Jan., Apr., July, Oct.,	140 00
"	Boston & Providence R. R. Co., " " " " "	200 00
"	Am. Bell Telephone Co., " " " " "	345 00
"	N. Y., N. H. & H. R. R. Co., " " " " "	40 00
"	" " " " " sale of rights,	99 60
"	Boston Safe Dep. & Trust Co., interest on deposits,	1 75
"	Refund from lecture expenses,	75
		<hr/> \$1,945 46

## CR.

Jan. 1.	Alfred Worcester, lecture,	\$50 00
" 2.	Euterpe Banjo Club, concert,	35 00
" 2.	Charles Williams, reader,	15 00
" 19.	Paul Du Chaillu, lecture,	100 00
" 19.	Louis L. Whitney, usher,	4 50
" 19.	F. W. C. Hersey, " "	4 50
Feb. 9 & June 29,	A. P. Jackson, usher,	10 50
" 9.	Rev. Reuben Thomas, lecture,	25 00
" 13.	L. C. Elson, " "	75 00
" 21.	Geo. H. Barton, " "	10 00
" 21.	Boston School Supply Co., blackboard,	8 00
Mar. 7.	Geo. H. Barton, lecture and stereopticon,	35 80
" 13.	Fitchburg R. R. Co., transportation,	18 00
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" 23.	H. A. Sherman, carriages,	29 50
Apr. 6.	F. Alcott Pratt, dramatic entertainment,	50 00
" 27.	E. S. Morse, lecture,	50 00
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July 8.	Rent of Safe Deposit vault box, 1894 and 1895,	20 00
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## REPORT OF THE TRUSTEES OF THE PUBLIC LIBRARY.

LINCOLN, February 5, 1896.

The Trustees of the Public Library submit the report of its Treasurer, and the statistical report of its Librarians; also a list of books purchased during the year. And acknowledge with satisfaction the gift of Hon. Charles Francis Adams, of twenty-five dollars.

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## INVESTMENT OF FUNDS.

The Codman Fund of \$1,000 is invested in five shares of Boston & Albany Railroad. The Periodical Fund of \$100 is in the Middlesex Institution for Savings at Concord. For investment of the Tarbell and Russell legacies, we refer to the Treasurer's report of Trust Funds.

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## AUDITOR'S REPORT.

I have examined the accounts of the Treasurer of the Public Library and find them correct.

W. L. G. PEIRCE, *Auditor.*

## STATISTICS.

No. of volumes in the Library Feb. 1, 1895,		5,550
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“ “ “ withdrawn,	3	
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No. of volumes in the Library Feb. 1, 1896,		5,800
Total delivery of books,		4,148
Total registration of borrowers,		1,039
Number of names registered during the year,		60

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ANNUAL REPORT

OF THE

SCHOOL COMMITTEE

OF THE

TOWN OF LINCOLN,

FOR THE

SCHOOL YEAR 1895-96.





## Report of the School Committee of the Town of Lincoln.

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In compliance with the requirements of a statute of the Commonwealth, Chap. 46, sec. 8, the School Committee of the town of Lincoln present the following report; also, the report of the Superintendent, upon the condition of the public schools of the town, and their action relative thereto, for the year 1895.

The membership of the Board has remained unchanged through the year. Mr. McKenney is still serving us as Superintendent. Fortunately the High School has not been disturbed within the year, by a change of teachers. Mr. Richards, who was engaged as teacher near the close of the last year, is still with us and doing good work. Early in the year, it being his first experience in teaching, and being unacquainted with the school and its requirements, his was the common lot of all new teachers, his critics, both in school and out of it, were looking sharply after him. He very soon comprehended the situation however, and the Committee was so fully assured of his ability and usefulness, that his re-election in June was unanimous.

The condition of the school has greatly improved within the last year; a more thorough and rational understanding of the various studies pursued, has been insisted upon; the pupils are much more studious and are doing much better work, seeming to realize the true answer to the question, "What are we here for?"

The grade of this school has been maintained upon the High School basis, admitting none but such as were found qualified upon examination to take advantage of the studies there pursued.

There were graduated from this school in June, four pupils, viz. : Misses Irene A. Ehlert, Mary E. Cook and Mary E. Dougherty, and Mr. Edwin Bent. Five were admitted in the autumn from the lower schools, and seven who attended in the early part of the year did not continue in the autumn ; so that the whole number enrolled in the last term was but twenty, being now reduced to eighteen.

This is but a very small percentage of the whole number of pupils in our schools, and indicates a lack of appreciation of the privileges here offered. The cost per capita is very large, because of the small number, being about seventy-five dol ars each per annum.

Some towns in this Commonwealth send their graduates from the Grammar Schools, to a High School in an adjoining town for the greater advantage which may there be afforded. We would offer this suggestion for the consideration of our citizens, as the cost per capita in our adjoining town of Concord is quoted at forty-two dollars per annum.

The adoption of such a plan by this town would give us the extra room heretofore asked for at the Center School-house, enable us to combine the North School with the Center School, and grade the same ; thus disposing of the whole question of enlargement, or moving of the Center building. The saving in interest, on the cost of moving and enlarging the Center building, added to the present cost of our High School, and the saving of the teacher's salary at the North School, would in the aggregate exceed the cost of sending our High School pupils to a school out of this town. Our schools should be so organized as to give to every pupil the largest equivalent for the time spent in school, as they are now arranged we cannot do this.

The above proposition will doubtless strike many as revolutionary in the extreme, yet many towns in this State do what is here proposed. The town of Revere sends one hundred pupils to the High School in Chelsea, at a cost of \$65 per capita per annum. The town of Dracut send their pupils to Lowell at a cost of \$60 per capita per annum. The town

of Tewksbury is aiming to do likewise. Berlin sends hers to Northboro, Raynham to North Easton; towns adjoining Fall River send their children there.

Why do they so? We apprehend they realize the great advantage of the best possible education for their children, who will soon emerge from school to enter the great world of competition; they wisely desire that they may be fully equipped for the contest. A great advantage would result to our entire school organization from this step, from the School Committee down. The teachers in our lower schools would feel bound to qualify their pupils for the High Schools in our adjoining towns, which confessedly they do not now. All would feel an increased responsibility if their work was to be probated by others.

#### CENTER SCHOOL.

As no agreement of the Committee appointed by the town was possible in the matter of enlargement of, or re-location of the Center School-house, there has been no change in the school. It is in the same unsatisfactory condition, and for the same reasons as stated last year. The estimated loss to the pupils in such mixed schools is twenty-five per cent., or one year in four, or two years of the eight spent in the lower schools. Two years of that most impressionable age lost forever. Who is responsible for it?

#### NORTH SCHOOL.

The North School has been kept open through the year, with the exception of about three weeks closure, on account of sickness of the teacher and pupils. A change of teachers occurred about the middle of the autumn term, Miss Farrar taking the place of Miss Snow.

#### SOUTH SCHOOLS.

The South Schools have continued with but brief interruption, in the Grammar department, on account of sickness of the teacher. Miss Grose, who taught the primary depart-

ment through the winter and spring terms, was re-elected at the close of the spring term, but sent in her resignation, and Miss Ellison was chosen to fill the vacancy.

Since the opening of the autumn term, Mr. Archibald, of Waltham, has been engaged one day in each week as teacher of vocal music, thus giving a new impulse to the latent talent for music, in the rising generation, which we hope to see largely developed.

The text books in Geography, Arithmetic and United States History have been exchanged for more modern works upon the same subjects.

The furnace at the Center School-house has required considerable repairs, the dome having been burned out and causing it to leak gas into the building.

For further advice we would refer you to the report of the Superintendent of Schools, and the report of the Committee on School-house.

Respectfully submitted,

_____	}	<i>Committee.</i>
MOSES W. KIDDER,		
EDWARD R. FARRAR.		



## MINORITY REPORT.

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LINCOLN, Feb. 7, 1896.

*To the Voters of Lincoln:*

Once more I find myself unable to subscribe to all the suggestions offered in the annual report of the School Committee, and desire herein to give my reasons.

It has been proposed to discontinue our High School in Lincoln, and furnish the pupils attending the same with a High School education elsewhere. To any such proposition I object.

One argument brought forward in favor of the proposed plan is that the pupils could get better educational advantages in some adjoining town or city than we offer, or ever can offer, at home. It seems proper just here to ask what we mean by education. The best authorities tell us that it is the development of the entire being of the child, and fitting him for the duties and the privileges of good citizenship. There is a moral side to his nature, and a patriotic, as well as an intellectual; and all should be cultivated. Now if this is so, it is extremely difficult to see how we should be caring for the moral side with all diligence, if we subjected these pupils to the demoralizing influences attendant on their transportation to another town or city. Nor would it be teaching them loyalty and patriotism by good example, to close the doors of our own High School after years of prosperity, and send its pupils to seek an education elsewhere.

Again, according to the best thinkers, we should seek as far as possible to give our pupils individual instruction; for by such instruction only can symmetrical results be obtained. Now it stands to reason that we can give pupils more individual instruction in a small school than in a large one. It

is clear then, that if we wish to give our pupils the advantages of much individual instruction, it will be defeating our purpose to send them out of town.

And again, the way to education is by work—work on the part of the pupil. This being so, have we not another advantage in the quiet of a town like Lincoln? For quiet is necessary to good study. To send our pupils away would mean to give them distraction, of all sorts, in place of conditions favorable to work. It would mean, also, a serious loss to the pupils in time and energy on account of transportation.

Another argument for the plan proposed is that it would cost less to give the pupils a High School education in this manner than we pay at home. Now at the present time the High School is very small, and so the cost of supporting it, reckoned per capita, is larger than usual. But in my opinion this can be remedied very easily by taking the highest grade of the Grammar Schools up into the High; thus the High School would be increased in size and the cost of supporting it, reckoned per capita, would be decreased. By this means, also, the Grammar Schools at the Center and the South would be relieved, and some of the pupils given the advantages of High School methods. This, it seems to me, ought to be done.

There are many other considerations to be taken into account; for instance, it should be remembered that the town would be responsible for any accident that might occur during transportation. Therefore, it seems very clear that we can give our High School pupils a good education at home more cheaply than anywhere else.

Thirdly, it is urged that the effect on the other schools in town would be to stimulate them. Now if our schools need a stimulus, would it not be vastly better for us to find a remedy for this needy condition ourselves, than to go to a sister town for it, and sacrifice our High School besides? It would be a humiliating confession on our part to do such a thing; and it is impossible for me to believe that we ever shall do it.

Therefore, as I said above, I object to any plan for discontinuing our High School and sending the pupils elsewhere to be educated. It was my duty last year to dissent from a plan to enlarge the High School building, and now it would seem that there are not enough pupils to fill the building. We fail to comprehend such a change in one short year. Let us look at the matter reasonably, and continue as we have done; as the world progresses, and as the demands on our schools grow larger, let Lincoln be ready to meet these demands as well as she has done in the past. We have had good schools—schools of which we might well be proud; let us keep them. I believe we shall.

I have the honor to remain,

Yours respectfully,

GEORGE FLINT, *Chairman.*

## Report of Superintendent of Schools.

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*To the School Committee of Lincoln:—*

GENTLEMEN:—I herewith present to you my fifth annual report of Lincoln schools.

It is to be regretted that the inadequate school accommodations still continue, notwithstanding the earnest protests of the School Board. That the town, however, to some extent at least, appreciates the situation is shown by the appointment, at its last annual meeting, of a committee to investigate the conditions and consider suggested changes.

That Committee has given the matter thoughtful attention, and will, I have reason to believe, report favorably upon the suggestions of the School Board, and recommend such action by the town as will provide the school accommodations required. But meantime the schools have continued another year under the same disadvantages that have been pointed out in previous reports. It is to be hoped that the town, consonant with the recommendations of its Committee on the subject, will now take speedy action in suitably providing for its schools.

The matter has waited three or four years, and, while the delay continues, children are passing through the schools, missing advantages justly due them—advantages the town cannot afford to withhold from them as its future citizens; for from the children now in school will come, in a few years, the leaders of society and the directors of affairs, and upon their education and training depends the future welfare of



the community. But aside from the loss to the children, and the future injury to the best interests of the town resulting thereby, the postponement of this important matter causes the town to suffer also in another way. Lincoln, like other progressive towns, recognizes the importance of attracting desirable residents. There are three chief inducements that influence people of means in deciding in what town to make a home, viz: a low tax rate, good roads, and good schools. In respect to the first, Lincoln ranks among the foremost towns in the Commonwealth. In the second she compares not unfavorably with sister suburban towns, and is improving every year. But in the last, under the present school conditions, Lincoln appears in an unfavorable light compared with towns of less means and otherwise far less attractive. A good school building, erected at the Center, suitable for the proper accommodation of the pupils who ought to attend there, besides being in better keeping with its other public improvements, would, I believe, prove a profitable financial investment for the town.

In the pressing demand for more room not otherwise immediately available, the proposition has been made to discontinue the operation of a high school in Lincoln, and convey pupils who wish to pursue high school studies to the Concord High School and pay for their instruction there. This plan proposes nine years below the high school instead of eight, as at present, in order necessarily to conform to the Concord school system; and four years in the high school instead of three. This would give pupils two additional years' schooling with obviously better facilities in the Concord High school than can be furnished in a small school like ours.



Our High School costs not far from \$1000 per year, aside from transportation. The average attendance is about twenty pupils, making the annual cost per pupil about fifty dollars. Tuition in the Concord High School is forty-two dollars per year, to which must be added three to five dollars for use of books, thus making the cost per pupil in attending at Concord, without anything for conveyance, not far from what it is here; possibly with a difference slightly in favor of the proposed change.

Probably the cost of an additional year in the High School that would result from this plan, ought not to be taken into account, as it is annual rather than total cost we are considering; and, if an additional year of high school study were furnished the children, the cost would be amply compensated by their further educational advancement; while the additional year in the lower grades would furnish a better education to the larger number who would not enter the High School, and perhaps keep many in school a year longer than they could otherwise be retained. This plan would undoubtedly furnish better instruction, and, probably at no greater cost.

Let it be understood, however, that surrendering the high school room to the lower grades, will by no means solve the problem of insufficient school accommodations. The number of pupils enrolled in the lower school at the Center the past year is sixty-three. If the pupils in the North School were included, as they ought to be, there would be eighty-four. There are in the South Grammar School now more pupils than the seating capacity of the room will accommodate. As that school has no pupils in the eighth grade this year,

it will send out none to the High School, while a class of fourteen must enter it from the lower room next fall. This room must, therefore, be relieved, probably by sending to the Center pupils enough to bring the number there up to 100—a number entirely too large to be accommodated in two rooms. Thus while delay has continued, the need has increased, until pressing necessity now demands three rooms instead of two for the accommodation of pupils, including children from the South as well as those at the Center and North.

Therefore while the plan to send the high school pupils to school out of town may present advantages that commend it, and might offer partial, temporary, relief to the present crowded condition of our schools, such a course would not obviate ultimate building changes. For, as has been already pointed out, three school rooms are needed at the Center for the proper accommodation of the pupils who ought to attend there in the lower grades. And such a provision, while necessary to the needs of the number of children, would permit also a good system of grading. Then all pupils in the South part of the town above the sixth grade could be conveyed to the Center, leaving three grades in each room at the South, with as many pupils as can be accommodated in those rooms. And if the plan of nine grades be adopted, this would allow three grades also in each of the three rooms at the Center. Or, if the present system be continued, there would be three grades in each school in town except one and that would have two grades.

I trust the town will take measures at once that will result in providing such accommodations before the opening of the fall term next September, or as soon

thereafter as expedition of work promptly begun will permit.

### MUSIC.

The musical instruction in the schools under the able direction of Mr. Archibald is proving very satisfactory. Great results, of course, are not to be expected in so short a time, but all that could be hoped for has been accomplished.

At first some of the older pupils in the grammar grades, wholly ignorant of music and unaccustomed to make any attempt at singing, were so easily abashed and so afraid of their own voice, that they were unwilling to try to sing. But this has been almost wholly overcome. Pupils have learned that to take part in the singing lesson is as much to be expected and insisted on as to recite in any other lesson, and they do so cheerfully.

If the instruction is continued for a few years, compensating results will be apparent.

It should be a matter of much gratification to all parents that their children have the advantage of musical instruction, successfully conducted by an able teacher.

### DRAWING.

The teachers in the fall term began the use of an excellent outline in drawing, prepared by Mr. Henry T. Bailey, state agent of drawing, and already an improvement in this line of work appears over that done under the Prang system which has been in use.

### VERTICAL WRITING.

After giving this matter some attention I am pretty well convinced that vertical writing can be more

readily learned by children, is more easily written, and is generally more legible than slant writing. I therefore believe it would be well to introduce instruction in that hand into the three lower grades at the beginning of the next school year. Teachers who are to teach it should first be required to learn it themselves so that they can write it easily and well. Otherwise the pupils, while writing from a vertical copy, would see all their board work placed before them by the teacher in slant writing, and thus using, as it were, one system in theory, the other in practice, they would learn neither well, and make a bad botch of both.

#### SCHOOLS AND TEACHERS.

By the resignation of Miss Kate W. Grose from the South Primary School during the summer vacation, the town sustained a serious loss. Miss Grose combined a pleasant disposition with good sense, faithfulness, and ability, and had, for three years, proved a popular and efficient teacher in that school. She goes to a better position in her own town with, I believe, the best wishes of all who knew her in Lincoln.

The South Grammar School was closed seven days last term on account of the illness of the teacher. I was not apprised of the fact until the school had been closed several days, and then was informed by the sub-committee in charge that the teacher would probably resume her duties in a few days. There was, therefore, no opportunity to secure a substitute had it been desirable to do so.

The North School has suffered seriously from change of teachers and other interruptions. The pupils there have in reality had but eleven weeks' schooling during



the last term of sixteen weeks. The school was closed for one week by the sudden and unexpected departure of the teacher, and a week also at two different times on account of diphtheria; and for two additional weeks, although the school was open, there was practically no attendance for the same cause. At this time occurred the sad death of bright little Lillie McLeod, who, after a few days of suffering, yielded to the malignity of the dread disease.

Aside from the hindrances above mentioned the work of the year has been well conducted, and the teachers have, under existing conditions, secured good results.

The introduction of Fry's series of geographies has been completed. The plan of these books leads pupils to get the thought rather than the words of the text, and are thus conducive to a more thoughtful comprehension of geography than any books we have before used on the subject and the study has become at once more interesting and more profitable.

The introduction of new arithmetics has also been completed by putting into the schools Southworth's Essentials of Arithmetic, Book II. Both books in this series furnish a large amount of drill work, present clear solutions and explanations of principles, and give the best and most practical methods of work in all subjects of arithmetic to be found in any books with which I am acquainted.

With better text books in geography and arithmetic the work in these subjects is improving. Montgomery's United States histories have also been introduced, and with this excellent book, better results are secured in history under the plan of teaching that subject outlined in my last report.



In conclusion I wish to say that, mindful of the readiness shown by the Committee and town to carry into operation recommendations that have appeared in my past reports, I trust I may not now appear too aggressive in the suggestions here urged, and I hope they may receive the consideration asked for them.

I am deeply grateful to the people of Lincoln and to the children for their many manifestations of goodwill and respect.

I thank the teachers for their earnest work, and assure them I am not unappreciative of the fact that whatever successful results have been secured are due largely to their loyalty and co-operation.

Respectfully submitted,

LEWIS T. McKENNEY,

*Superintendent of Schools.*

## SCHOOL STATISTICS.

Number of children enumerated in town between the ages of five and fifteen years, May 1, 1895.	159
Number of children enrolled in the public schools,	196
Number of children enrolled under five years of age, . . . . .	0
Number of children enrolled over fifteen years of age, . . . . .	22
Number of children enrolled between eight and fourteen years of age, . . . . .	106
Number of children enumerated in town between eight and fourteen years of age, May 1, 1895,	76
Number of school-houses occupied, . . . . .	3
Number of school-rooms occupied, . . . . .	5
Number of teachers employed, . . . . .	6

## ROLL OF HONOR.

## PUPILS NEITHER ABSENT NOR TARDY.

## DURING THE YEAR.

\*Lassie E. Laird.

## DURING TWO TERMS.

Ida M. Browning,	George P. Cook,
Bertha W. Bent,	Mary A. Dee,
Mary E. Ehlert,	Charles M. Welch,
Horace L. Ham.	

## DURING ONE TERM.

## HIGH SCHOOL.

Ida M. Browning,	Annie G. Dempsey,
Lalia E. Bent,	Mary E. Dougherty,
Mary A. Dee,	Moses F. Underwood,
Alice H. Welch.	

## CENTER SCHOOL.

Joseph Craven,	Abbie F. Hartwell,
Martin Craven,	Lassie E. Laird,
T. Austin Ham,	Horace L. Ham.

## SOUTH GRAMMAR SCHOOL.

Bertha W. Bent,	Mary E. Ehlert,
Mary M. Boyce,	Susie B. Haynes,
George P. Cook,	Walter H. Thompson,
*Charles W. Welch,	Fred Wilzine.

## SOUTH PRIMARY SCHOOL.

Willie Delory,	John Ryan,
Lilly Boyce,	*Charles M. Welch,
Emmons Cook,	Ruth Welch.

## NORTH SCHOOL.

Julia H. McLeod,	Lillie M. McLeod,
Murdock McLeod.	

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# SCHOOL ATTENDANCE, ETC.

SCHOOLS.	Terms.	Teachers.	Enrollment.	Average membership.	Average daily attendance.	Per cent. of daily attendance.	Visits of Superintendent.	Visits of Committee.	Visits of citizens.	Tardiness.	Dismissals.	Time in days lost by tardiness and dismissals.	Teacher's salary per mo.	Length of term in weeks.
High, . .	{ Winter, Spring, Fall,	Ansel S. Richards.	26	24.53	21.48	87.12	5	7	8	9	39	6.59	\$84.20	12
		Ansel S. Richards.	23	20.27	18.97	93.58	5	4	7	14	28	5.19	84.20	10
		Ansel S. Richards.	20	19.65	18.30	93.13	8	7	1	32	28	7.52	94.72	16
Center, . .	{ Winter, Spring, Fall,	Carrie B. Chapin.	50	47.89	44.09	92.06	4	4	7	23	32	1.52	44.00	11
		Harriett F. Sawin.	49	45.87	39.69	86.54	6	2	10	16	27	4.32	44.00	11
		Carrie B. Chapin.	57	50.40	46.08	91.43	10	5	4	54	37	8.05	44.00	16
S. Grammar,	{ Winter, Spring, Fall,	Harriett F. Sawin.	35	27.13	25.91	95.50	2	2	11	25	27	12.46	48.00	12
		Lizzie A. Brown.	31	26.49	23.78	90.71	4	4	6	9	43	13.33	48.00	10
		Lizzie A. Brown.	40	36.21	33.56	92.88	7	5	20	63	68	20.60	48.00	15
S. Primary,	{ Winter, Spring, Fall,	Katherine W. Grose.	33	30.40	28.30	93.09	2	2	3	15	14	2.59	48.00	12
		Katherine W. Grose.	39	35.27	32.02	90.78	4	2	4	5	17	3.38	48.00	10
		Amanda C. Ellison.	38	34.37	29.50	85.83	7	7	6	26	60	2.95	48.00	16
North, . .	{ Winter, Spring, Fall,	Elizabeth A. Snow.	20	19.32	17.93	92.81	3	1	4	4	6	1.00	40.00	12
		Elizabeth A. Snow.	20	18.50	16.68	90.02	5	1	20	6	12	1.50	40.00	11
		R. Dora Farrar.	21	15.37	14.34	93.29	5	3	4	26	9	2.65	40.00	13

## SUMMARY FOR THE YEAR.

High, . .	26	21.52	19.58	91.24	18	18	16	55	95	19.30	\$842.00	38
Center, . .	63	48.05	43.29	90.01	20	11	21	93	96	13.89	874.00	38
S. Grammar, . .	38	30.28	27.75	93.03	13	11	37	97	138	46.39	444.00	37
S. Primary, . .	48	33.35	29.94	89.90	13	11	13	36	91	8.82	456.00	38
North, . .	21	17.73	16.22	92.04	13	5	28	36	27	5.15	360.00	36
Total, . .	196	151	137	91.22	77	56	115	317	447	93.55	\$2976.00	-

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# TOWN OFFICERS, 1896-97.

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## *Moderator of Town Meetings.*

CHARLES S. WHEELER.

## *Town Clerk.*

JAMES L. CHAPIN.

## *Selectmen.*

SAMUEL HARTWELL,

JOHN F. FARRAR,

CHARLES S. WHEELER.

## *Overseers of the Poor.*

JOHN F. FARRAR,

SAMUEL HARTWELL,

CHARLES S. WHEELER.

## *Board of Health.*

JOSEPH S. HART, . . . . . Term expires 1897

SAMUEL H. PIERCE, . . . . . " " 1898

MOSES W. KIDDER, M. D., . . . . . " " 1899

## *Assessors.*

CHARLES S. SMITH,

\*GEORGE ROPES,

GEORGE M. BAKER.

## *Treasurer and Collector of Taxes.*

CHARLES S. WHEELER.

## *Highway Surveyor.*

DANIEL H. SHERMAN.

## *Auditor.*

WILLIAM L. G. PEIRCE.

## *Constables.*

LORENZO E. BROOKS,

JOHN F. FARRAR,

EDWARD BANNON,

MASON P. HUNTER,

FRANK M. DEMPSEY,

DENNIS W. DOHERTY.

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\*Deceased.

*School Committee.*

GEORGE FLINT, . . . . .	Term expires 1897
EDWARD R. FARRAR, . . . . .	" " 1898
JULIUS E. EVELETH, . . . . .	" " 1899

*Water Commissioners.*

JOHN F. FARRAR, . . . . .	Term expires 1897
LEONARD W. WESTON, . . . . .	" " 1898
GEORGE L. CHAPIN, . . . . .	" " 1899
SAMUEL HARTWELL, Chairman of Selectmen, <i>ex-officio</i> .	
CHARLES S. WHEELER, Town Treasurer, <i>ex-officio</i> .	

*School Superintendent.*

L. T. MCKENNEY.

*Field Drivers.*

SAMUEL FARRAR,	EDWIN DUTCHER.
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*Fence Viewers.*

SAMUEL FARRAR,	GEORGE L. CHAPIN.
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*Surveyors of Lumber.*

N. F. COUSINS,	GEORGE F. HARRINGTON,
	EDWARD R. FARRAR.

*Measurers of Wood and Bark.*

EDWARD R. FARRAR,	WALTER F. BAKER,
T. W. SMITH,	THOS. L. GILES.

*Cemetery Committee.*

*H. C. CHAPIN, M. D., . . . . .	Term expires 1897
HERBERT E. BARNES, . . . . .	" " 1898
JAMES L. CHAPIN, . . . . .	" " 1899
CHARLES S. SMITH, . . . . .	" " 1900
JOHN TASKER, . . . . .	" " 1901

*Commissioners of Trust Funds.*

SAMUEL H. PIERCE, . . . . .	Term expires 1897
*GEORGE ROPES, . . . . .	" " 1898
JULIUS E. EVELETH, . . . . .	" " 1899

*Registrars.*

SAMUEL HARTWELL,	JOHN F. FARRAR,
CHARLES S. WHEELER,	JAMES L. CHAPIN.

\*Deceased.



*Trustees of Lincoln Public Library.*

GEORGE G. TARBELL, M. D., President.

SAMUEL H. PIERCE,

JOHN F. FARRAR,

SAMUEL HARTWELL, Chairman of Selectmen, *ex-officio*.GEORGE FLINT, Chairman of School Committee, *ex-officio*.*Trustees of Bemis Fund for Free Public Lectures.*

GEORGE FLINT, . . . . . Term expires 1897

\*GEORGE ROPES, . . . . . " " 1898

JULIUS E. EVELETH, . . . . . " " 1899

*Trustees of Grammar School Fund.*

CHARLES S. WHEELER,

HERBERT E. BARNES,

ALBERT A. COOK.

*Public Improvement Committee.*

CHARLES F. ADAMS,

SAMUEL H. PIERCE,

LEONARD W. WESTON.

*Committee to Purchase Coal.*

SAMUEL HARTWELL,

JOHN F. FARRAR,

CHARLES S. WHEELER.

*Committee on Claims.*

CHARLES F. ADAMS,

WILLIAM S. BRIGGS,

CHARLES S. WHEELER.

*Sexton.*

HERBERT E. BARNES.

## APPOINTED BY THE SELECTMEN.

*Sealer of Weights and Measures.*

JAMES L. CHAPIN.

*Janitor of Town House.*

GEORGE L. CHAPIN.

*Forest Fire Wardens.*

CLARENCE A. BROOKS,

CHARLES S. SMITH,

JOHN F. FARRAR.

*Inspector of Provisions and Animals.*

CHARLES S. SMITH.

\* Deceased.

# WARRANT.

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## COMMONWEALTH OF MASSACHUSETTS.

MIDDLESEX SS.

*To Lorenzo E. Brooks, or either of the Constables of  
the Town of Lincoln, in said County :*

GREETING :

In the name of the Commonwealth of Massachusetts you are hereby required to notify and warn the inhabitants of the Town of Lincoln, duly qualified to vote in Town affairs, to assemble at the Town Hall, on Monday, March first, next, at one o'clock P. M., to act on the following articles, viz. :

ARTICLE 1. To choose a Moderator.

ART. 2. To hear, consider and act upon Reports of Town Officers, Committees, Commissioners and Trustees, as the town shall think proper.

ART. 3. To choose all necessary Town Officers, Committees, Commissioners and Trustees.

ART. 4. To act upon the jury list presented by the Selectmen.

ART. 5. To appropriate money for necessary and expedient purposes of the town, and enact anything in relation thereto.

ART. 6. To give in their votes by ballot in answer to the question: "Shall licenses be granted for the sale of intoxicating liquors in this town?" The check list shall be used, as provided by Section 5, Chapter 100, of the Public Statutes.

ART. 7. To determine the manner of collecting taxes the ensuing year.

ART. 8. To determine the compensation of the Collector of taxes the ensuing year.

ART. 9. To see if the Town will authorize the Committee chosen by the Town at a former meeting to contract for and build a portion of the State Road, to contract with the State Highway Commissioners to build the remainder of the State highway in this town.

ART. 10. To see if the Town will authorize its Treasurer, under the direction of the Selectmen, to borrow money in anticipation of taxes of the current year, and to be paid therefrom.

ART. 11. To see if the Town will make any provision by the choice or appointment of a Committee on Claims or otherwise, for the defense or compromise of suits, claims and demands against the Town, and for the prosecution or compromise of such proceedings as may be necessary for the protection of the rights of the Town, or make any appropriation therefor, or take any other action in relation thereto.

ART. 12. To see if the Town will accept the provisions of Chapter 78 of the Acts of 1893 in relation to the extermination of insect pests within the limits of the highways.

ART. 13. To see if the Town will elect a Tree Warden under the provisions of Chapter 190 of the Acts of 1896.

ART. 14. To see if the Town will appropriate money to be used for the setting out of trees within the limits of the highways, or for the extermination of insect pests within such limits.

ART. 15. To see if the Town will repair the Town House, and substitute some other material in place of the crumbly light colored brick, and appropriate money therefor, or take any other action in the matter.

ART. 16. To see if the Town will authorize the Water Commissioners to build a new Pumping Station, procure new machinery and lay a new pumping main from the pond to the reservoir for the purposes mentioned in Chapter 188 of the Acts of 1872.

ART. 17. To see if the Town will appropriate any money or make any other provision by borrowing or otherwise for the settlement of claims occasioned by any takings of land by the Water Commissioners under Chapter 188 of the Acts of 1872.

ART. 18. To see if the Town for the purposes mentioned in Articles 16 and 17, or in either or both of the said articles, will borrow any money and authorize the issue of any notes, bonds or script for such indebtedness under the provisions of Chapter 188 of the Acts of 1872 to an amount not exceeding altogether \$10,000, payable at a period not exceeding thirty years from the date thereof, with interest payable semi-annually at a rate not exceeding six per cent. per annum, or will make any appropriations of money for any or all of the said purposes, or take any other action in relation thereto.

ART. 19. To see if the Town will accept a gift of land from William S. Briggs and build a road thereon, the same to be an extension of the road past Michael Kennedy's and the Spencer farm to Lincoln Street (so called), and appropriate money therefor, and discon-



tinue the present road from the East schoolhouse towards Lincoln Center to its junction with said Lincoln Street.

ART. 20. To see if the Town will widen the road at the west end of the three cornered cemetery, or take any action in relation to the same.

ART. 21. To see if the Town will construct and maintain a sidewalk from the Center of the Town to the depot of the Fitchburg Railway.

ART. 22. To see if the Town will place street lights upon the road between the Center of the Town and the depot of the Fitchburg Railway.

ART. 23. To see if the Town will purchase a horse road-roller for use of road-maker.

ART. 24. To see if the Town will adopt a code of By-laws or take any action in relation thereto.

ART. 25. To see if the Town will petition the Legislature for legislation increasing the borrowing capacity of the Town for water purposes, or take any action in regard to the matter.

ART. 26. To see if the Town will take measures to erect a new school house in conformity with the report of the Committee on School House, and provide for the payment of the same.

And you are directed to serve this warrant by posting an attested copy thereof, at the Town House, at each of the Post Offices, and in the vestibule of the Meeting House of the First Parish, eight days, at least, before the time of the meeting, and to make seasonable return thereof, with your doings thereon, to the Town Clerk. *Hereof fail not.*

Dated at Lincoln this ninth day of February, in the year of our Lord one thousand eight hundred and ninety-seven.

SAMUEL HARTWELL,	} <i>Selectmen</i>
JOHN F. FARRAR,	
CHARLES S. WHEELER,	
	<i>of</i>
	<i>Lincoln.</i>



# Proceedings of Town Meeting, Jan. 11, 1896.

## WARRANT.

### COMMONWEALTH OF MASSACHUSETTS.

MIDDLESEX SS.

*To Lorenzo E. Brooks or either of the Constables of the Town of Lincoln in said County :*

GREETING :

In the name of the Commonwealth of Massachusetts you are hereby required to notify and warn the inhabitants of the Town of Lincoln, duly qualified to vote in Town affairs, to assemble at the Town Hall, on Saturday, January 11 inst., at 1.30 P. M., to act on the following articles, viz. :

ARTICLE 1. To chose a Moderator.

Chose Charles S. Wheeler, Moderator.

ART. 2. To see if the Town will take and hold, under the provisions of Chapter one hundred and eighty-eight of the Acts of the year eighteen hundred and seventy-two, the waters of Sandy Pond, so-called, in the Town of Lincoln, and the waters which flow into and from the same, for the purpose of supplying itself and its inhabitants with pure water, to extinguish fires, generate steam, and for domestic and other uses ; and if the town will take and hold under the provisions of said act by purchase or otherwise, any lands for raising, flowing, holding, diverting, conducting, purifying and preserving such waters, and conveying the same to any and all parts of said Town of Lincoln ; and if the Town will authorize, direct or instruct the Water Commissioners to take any action with reference thereto, or to exercise any of the rights, powers and privileges granted to the town under the provisions of said Act.

*Voted*, That the Town of Lincoln for the purpose of supplying itself and its inhabitants with pure water, to extinguish fires, generate steam and for domestic and other uses and for the purpose of establishing public fountains and hydrants, hereby takes

the waters of Sandy Pond in the town of Lincoln and the waters which flow into and from the same in accordance with the provisions of Chapter one hundred and eighty-eight of the Acts of 1872.

*Voted*, That in pursuance of chapter one hundred and eighty-eight of the Acts of the year eighteen hundred and seventy-two, the following described parcel of land situated in the town of Lincoln, be and hereby is taken for raising, flowing, holding, diverting, conducting, purifying and preserving and for all other purposes mentioned in said Act the waters of Sandy Pond in the town of Lincoln and the waters which flow into and from the same, to wit: Beginning at a point on the easterly side of the highway to Concord at land of Francis Smith and at the southerly corner of a certain parcel of land taken by the town of Lincoln for said purposes as appears by the certificate of the Water Commissioners of said town filed and recorded with Middlesex South District Deeds, March 13, 1876, book of executions No. 27, page 230: thence running northeasterly by land of said Smith through a point one hundred and twenty-three (123) feet easterly from the northeasterly corner of the pumping station, measured from the lowest course of brick at said corner on a line which is the northerly side of said pumping station, produced easterly to said pond; thence westerly by said pond to said land formerly taken; thence southwesterly by said last mentioned land to the point of beginning; containing about one-fourth acre of land and being as shown on a plan drawn by E. A. W. Hammatt, C. E., dated January 3, 1896, to be recorded in said Registry of Deeds. The supposed owner of the above described parcel of land is Francis Smith of said Lincoln.

ART. 3. To see what action the town will take to prevent encroachment upon its right to the water of Sandy Pond.

*Voted*, To lay on the table.

ART. 4. To see if the town will pay to Mr. Lewis E. Smith \$100 for damage to his land on account of the new road from Dr. H. C. Chapin's to house of Mrs. Campbell, or take any other action in relation to the matter.

*Voted*, That the matter be referred to the Selectmen to investigate and report to next March meeting.

ART. 5. To see if the town will so amend its By-Laws that it may send its truants to the "Middlesex County Truant School" at Chelmsford, Mass., instead of the "Lowell Reform School" at Lowell.

*Voted*, That the town of Lincoln do so amend their By-Laws that it may send its truants to the Middlesex County Truant School at Chelmsford.

ART. 6. To hear the report of any Committee chosen by the town, that may be ready to report and act thereon.

No action upon this article.

Meeting dissolved.

JAMES L. CHAPIN,

*Town Clerk.*

## Proceedings of Town Meeting March 2, 1896.

### WARRANT.

#### COMMONWEALTH OF MASSACHUSETTS.

MIDDLESEX ss.

*To Lorenzo E. Brooks, or either of the Constables of the Town of Lincoln in said County:*

GREETING:

In the name of the Commonwealth of Massachusetts, you are hereby required to notify and warn the inhabitants of the Town of Lincoln duly qualified to vote in Town affairs to assemble at the Town Hall, on Monday, March second next, at one o'clock P. M. to act on the following articles, viz:

ARTICLE 1. To choose a Moderator.

Chose Charles S. Wheeler, Moderator.

ART. 2. To hear, consider and act upon Reports of Town Officers, Committees, Commissioners and Trustees, in any manner the town shall think proper.

The printed reports were acted upon as follows:

Report of the Selectmen, accepted.

Report of the Overseers of the Poor, accepted.

Report of the Treasurer, accepted.

Report of the Assessors, accepted.

Report of the Road Commissioners, accepted.

• Report of the Committee on Public Improvements, accepted.

Report of the Board of Health, accepted.

Report of the Town Clerk, accepted.

Report of the Water Commissioners, accepted.

Report of the Committee on School House, accepted.

Report of the Commissioners of Sinking and Trust Funds, accepted.

Report of the Trustees of Bemis Lecture Fund, accepted.

Report of the Lincoln Library, accepted.

Report of the State Highway Committee, accepted.

Two School Committee Reports, laid on the table.

ART. 3. To choose all necessary Town Officers, Committees, Commissioners and Trustees.

Chose the following Officers:

*Town Clerk*, James L. Chapin.

*Selectmen*, Samuel Hartwell, John F. Farrar, Charles S. Wheeler.

*Overseers of the Poor*, voted to omit choosing.

*Board of Health*, Moses W. Kidder, 3 years, Joseph S. Hart, 1 year.

*Assessors*, Charles S. Smith, George Ropes, George M. Baker.

*Treasurer and Collector*, Charles S. Wheeler.

*Highway Surveyor*, Daniel H. Sherman.

*Auditor*, William L. G. Peirce.

*Constables*, Lorenzo E. Brooks, Edward Bannon, Frank M. Dempsey, John F. Farrar, Mason P. Hunter, James T. Laird, Dennis W. Dougherty.

*School Committee*, Julius E. Eveleth.

• *Water Commissioner*, George L. Chapin.

*Cemetery Commissioner*, John Tasker.

*Field Drivers*, Samuel Farrar, Edwin Dutcher, A. S. Richards.

*Fence Viewers*, Samuel Farrar, George L. Chapin.

*Surveyors of Lumber*, Nathaniel F. Cousins, George F. Harrington, Edward R. Farrar.

*Measurers of Wood and Bark*, Edward R. Farrar, Walter F. Baker, H. W. Pratt, Francis J. Kidder, T. Wilbur Smith, Thomas L. Giles.

*Commissioner of Sinking and Trust Funds*, Julius E. Eveleth.



*Trustee of Bemis Lecture Fund, Julius E. Eveleth.*

*Public Improvement Committee, Charles F. Adams, Samuel H. Pierce, Leonard W. Weston.*

*Committee to purchase Coal, The Selectmen.*

*Committee on Claims, Charles Francis Adams, William S. Briggs, Charles S. Wheeler.*

ART. 4. To enact anything in relation to the Jury List, presented by the Selectmen.

Amended and accepted the List of Jurors, as follows :

Clarence A. Brooks,	Frederick P. Kidder,
James T. Calkins,	Charles E. Nelson,
Albert A. Cook,	Daniel H. Sherman,
John F. Farrar,	Charles S. Smith,
Thomas L. Giles,	Zenas G. Smith,
Charles P. Farnsworth,	T. Wilbur Smith,
Herbert J. Harrington,	James B. Wheeler,
George H. Hoar,	Louis H. Whitney.

ART. 5. To appropriate money for all necessary and expedient purposes of the town, and enact anything in relation thereto.

*Voted* the following appropriations, viz :

For Schools, . . . . .	\$3,500 00
School Incidentals, . . . . .	1,000 00
Music in Schools, . . . . .	200 00
School Superintendent, . . . . .	100 00
Miscellaneous Expenses, . . . . .	2,000 00
Counsel Fees, . . . . .	1,200 00
Support of Poor, . . . . .	1,000 00
Highways and Bridges, . . . . .	4,000 00
Library, . . . . .	Dog Tax and 500 00
Interest, . . . . .	500 00
Payment of Water Bond, . . . . .	1,000 00
Cemeteries, . . . . .	300 00
Street Lamps, . . . . .	150 00
Village Improvement, . . . . .	100 00
Decoration Day, . . . . .	25 00
Payment of Temporary Loans, . . . . .	1,000 00
Board of Health, . . . . .	100 00
Public Improvement Committee, . . . . .	150 00
Hydrant Service, . . . . .	195 00
Ventilation of the Town Hall or Bemis Hall, . . . . .	200 00



ART. 6. To give in their votes by ballot in answer to the question: "Shall Licenses be granted for the sale of Intoxicating Liquors in this Town?" The check list shall be used, as provided by Section 5, Chapter 100, of the Public Statutes.

*Voted*: Yes, 21; No, 62.

ART. 7. To determine the manner of collecting taxes; also the compensation of the Collector for the ensuing year.

*Voted* that the Collector be and is hereby authorized to collect within one year from the time he received his warrant in a lawful manner, all taxes which shall have been returned to him for collection by warrant from the Assessors, and which shall not have been lawfully abated or in litigation. Otherwise he shall receive no compensation for collecting. Also that  $1\frac{1}{2}$  per cent. on his list be paid him for collection as per above motion.

ART. 8. To see if the Town will authorize the committee chosen by the Town at a former meeting to contract for and build a mile of State road, to contract with the State Highway Commissioners to build the remainder of the State Highway in this Town, or any part of the same.

*Voted*, That the Town do authorize said Committee to contract with the State Highway Commissioners to build said highway.

ART. 9. To see if the Town will authorize its Treasurer, under the direction of the Selectmen, to borrow money in anticipation of taxes of the current year, and to be paid therefrom.

*Voted*, That the Treasurer be and is hereby authorized and directed, with the approval of the Selectmen, to borrow temporarily, in anticipation of the taxes of the present municipal year, such sums of money as may be from time to time required, and to give the negotiable note or notes of the Town for money so borrowed, and that all such temporary loans shall be paid from the said taxes.

ART. 10. To see what action the Town will take in regard to improving the ventilation of the Town Hall or Bemis Hall, and to appropriate the necessary amount of money therefor.

*Voted*, To appropriate the sum of \$200, for the Committee to improve the ventilation of the Town Hall or Bemis Hall.

ART. 11. To see if the Town will confirm and ratify the action of the Board of Health, whereby they employed counsel to assist

them in matters pertaining to the prevention of polluting the water of Sandy Pond ; also the action of the Selectmen in approving the bill for payment of said counsel.

*Voted*, to confirm and ratify the actions named in said article.

ART. 12. To see if the Town will reconsider its vote passed some years since, whereby it voted that the proceeds of sales of lots in the New Cemetery should be invested, and the income of such investment should be used to keep the Cemetery or certain parts thereof in repair.

Laid on the table.

ART. 13. To see if the Town will have all proceeds of sales of lots in the Cemeteries paid into the Town treasury.

Laid on the table.

ART. 14. To see if the Town will confirm and ratify the doings of the Water Commissioners, pursuant to the vote of the Town Jan. 11, 1896, and all other votes of the Town thereto enabling them in regard to the taking and holding the waters of Sandy Pond and the waters which flow into and from the same, under the provisions of chapter one hundred and eighty-eight of the Acts of the year eighteen hundred and seventy-two ; and if the Town will authorize the Water Commissioners to make any further taking of said waters for the purposes named in said act, or take any action in relation thereto.

*Voted*, That the town hereby ratifies and confirms the doings of the Water Commissioners pursuant to the vote of the town January 11, 1896, and all other votes of the town them thereto enabling in regard to the taking and holding of the waters of Sandy Pond and the waters which flow into and from the same, under the provisions of chapter one hundred and eighty-eight, of the Acts of the year eighteen hundred and seventy-two, without waiving in any respect any right or title to or in said waters otherwise previously acquired. And the said Water Commissioners are hereby authorized to make in the name and behalf of the town such further and confirmatory takings of said waters as they may from time to time in their discretion deem necessary and proper.

ART. 15. To see if the town will take and hold under the provisions of chapter one hundred and eighty-eight of the Acts of the year eighteen hundred and seventy-two by purchase or otherwise,

any lands for raising, flowing, holding, diverting, conducting, purifying and preserving the waters of Sandy Pond and the waters which flow into and from the same, and for conveying such waters to any and all parts of the town; or take any action in relation thereto.

*Voted*, That the Water Commissioners be authorized and directed to take and hold, in the name and in the behalf of the town by purchase or otherwise, under the provisions of chapter one hundred and eighty-eight of the Acts of the year eighteen hundred and seventy-two, all necessary lands which the said Commissioners may from time to time deem necessary and proper for raising, flowing, diverting, conducting, purifying and preserving the waters of Sandy Pond in the Town of Lincoln, and conveying the same to any and all parts of said Town, and for any and all purposes mentioned in said Act.

ART. 16. To see if the Town will make any provision by the choice or appointment of a committee on claims, or otherwise, for the defense of suits, claims and demands against the Town, and for the prosecution of such proceedings as may be necessary for the protection of the rights of the Town, or make any appropriation therefor, or take any other action in relation thereto.

*Voted*, That a Committee of three persons to be chosen by the Town, shall constitute a committee on claims, whose powers and duties shall be as follows: To consider all disputed claims and demands of whatever kind which shall be presented to the Town, and to compromise or defend the same before any tribunal; to bring in the name of the town, such suits at law or equity or institute such other proceedings before any tribunal as may in their judgment be necessary and proper to protect the interests and property of the Town, and to compromise any such suit or other proceeding; to take necessary and proper measures for the collection and preservation of evidence relating to any controversy in which the Town is or may be, a party; to represent the Town before the Legislature of the Commonwealth in matters affecting the interests of the Town; to employ counsel to appear in the name and behalf of the Town for any of the aforesaid objects; to have charge of the expenditures of any appropriation made for such objects, unless otherwise specifically provided for; and in all matters so far as practicable, to act in connection with the particular board or committee affected thereby.

*Voted*, That the following suits and controversies be referred to the Committee on Claims :

1. All suits and petitions in regard to the abatement of taxes and the recovery of taxes paid under protest.

2. The suit of Francis Smith vs. Lincoln to recover \$5000.

3. All suits, petitions and controversies relating to the alterations, changing of grade or locating anew of roads by the city of Cambridge to accommodate the new reservoir in the east part of the Town.

4. All suits and controversies now pending or which may arise during the ensuing year between Lincoln and Concord in regard to the right of said towns respectively in and to the waters of Sandy Pond.

5. All controversies now pending or which may arise during the ensuing year in regard to any taking or acquirement of land for raising, flowing, holding, diverting, conducting, purifying, or preserving the waters of Sandy Pond.

ART. 17. To see if the Town will authorize the Public Improvement Committee to designate certain trees within the limits of its highways for the purpose of preserving them for shade trees.

*Voted*, That the matter be referred to the Public Improvement Committee and the Selectmen.

ART. 18. To see if the Town will adopt any by-laws or take any action in relation thereto.

*Voted*, That the matter be referred to the Committee on Claims to draft suitable by-laws and to report the same to the Town at the next annual meeting.

ART. 19. To see if the Town will make any appropriation of money in anticipation of payment of bills on account of the State road.

Passed over.

ART. 20. To see if the Town will accept the provisions of Chap. 374 of the Acts of 1895, and elect a single Highway Surveyor, who shall have exclusive control of the Town roads, bridges, etc.



*Voted*, To accept the provisions of Chap. 374 of the Acts of 1895, and elect a single Highway Surveyor, who shall have exclusive control of the Town roads, bridges, etc.

Then adjourned to Monday, March 16, at 2 o'clock P. M.

MARCH 16.—Met according to adjournment, and the vote upon Art. 9 was reconsidered and the vote, as herein reported, passed.

Art. 2 was taken from the table and the report of the Committee on School House taken up and discussed, but no vote taken.

Adjourned.

JAMES L. CHAPIN, *Town Clerk*.

Before the adjournment of this meeting, a communication was received from Mr. William Mackintosh, a former resident of this Town, but now resident of Cottage Grove, in the State of Minnesota, proposing to convey by quit-claim deed to the Town of Lincoln, the lane leading from the road to South Lincoln, to the farm of James Kenna; and the Town voted as follows:

*Resolved*, that the Town of Lincoln accept the offer of Mr. Mackintosh with thanks, and the Town Clerk be directed to forward him a copy thereof.

JAMES L. CHAPIN, *Town Clerk*.

## Proceedings of Town Meeting, Aug. 5, 1896.

### WARRANT.

#### COMMONWEALTH OF MASSACHUSETTS.

MIDDLESEX SS.

*To Lorenzo E. Brooks, or either of the Constables of the Town of Lincoln, in said County:*

GREETING:

In the name of the Commonwealth of Massachusetts, you are hereby required to notify and warn the inhabitants of the Town of Lincoln, duly qualified to vote in Town affairs, to assemble at the Town Hall, on Wednesday, August 5th, at 7.30 P. M., to act on the following articles, viz:



ARTICLE 1. To choose a Moderator.

Chose Charles S. Wheeler, Moderator.

ART. 2. To see if the Town will vote to grant the use of the Lower Town Hall for the purpose of a School Room till other suitable provisions are made for same. Also to see what further action may be taken in the matter.

*Voted*, To grant the use of the Town Hall for the purpose of a school-room till other suitable provisions are made for the same. *Voted*, To grant the School Committee the sum of \$75, to improve the ventilation of said hall.

ART. 3. To see if the Town will extend the Water Pipes as far as the house of George Flint, and make provision for the payment of the same.

*Voted*, That the Water Commissioners be authorized to extend the water pipes as far as the house of Mr. George Flint, and that \$800 be appropriated therefor.

ART. 4. To see if the Town will appoint a Committee to visit the town of Wakefield, Mass., and inquire into the methods there used for the prevention and control of fires, and report their views to the next town meeting.

*Voted*, To choose a Committee of three persons to visit the town of Wakefield, Mass., for the purpose named in this article. Said Committee to consist of Samuel H. Pierce and the foreman of Hose Co. No. 1, and the foreman of Hose Co. No. 2.

ART. 5. To take any action the Town may think proper in regard to school accommodations.

*Voted*, To appropriate a sum not exceeding \$875, for improving the ventilation and heating of the Centre School House.

*Voted*, That a Committee of five persons be appointed to prepare a plan for the construction of a new school-house, including land and plans and estimates for the same.

The following persons were appointed as the Committee: James L. Chapin, Charles Francis Adams, Julius E. Eveleth, Samuel Hartwell, John R. Hartwell.

And the meeting was dissolved.

JAMES L. CHAPIN, *Town Clerk*.

Warrant for Town Meeting, November 3, 1896.

## WARRANT.

COMMONWEALTH OF MASSACHUSETTS.

MIDDLESEX, SS.

*To Lorenzo E. Brooks, or any other Constable in the Town of  
Lincoln, in said County.*

GREETING :

In the name of the Commonwealth of Massachusetts you are hereby required to notify and warn the inhabitants of the town of Lincoln, duly qualified to vote in the election of National and State Officers, to assemble at the Town Hall, on Tuesday, the third day of November next, at ten o'clock A. M., to give in their votes for the following officers, and Articles of amendment to the Constitution, viz :

For Electors of President and Vice-President of the United States, a Governor, Lieutenant-Governor, Secretary, Treasurer, and Receiver-General for the State of Massachusetts, a Councillor from the Sixth Councillor District, a Representative in Congress from the Fourth Congressional District in Massachusetts, a Clerk of the Courts, a County Commissioner for the County of Middlesex, a Senator from the Fifth Senatorial District, a Representative in the General Court from the Seventeenth Representative District in Middlesex. Also the following Articles of Amendment to the Constitution :

First article of Amendment : "Shall the proposed Amendment to the Constitution, establishing Biennial Elections of State Officers be approved and ratified?"

Second Article of Amendment : "Shall the proposed Amendment to the Constitution, establishing Biennial Elections of Members of the General Court be approved and ratified?"

All the Officers and Articles of Amendment enumerated above to be voted for on one ballot. The polls to be opened at ten o'clock, A. M., and may be closed at four o'clock, P. M.

And you are directed to serve this Warrant by posting a copy thereof at the Town House, at each of the Post Offices, and in the

Vestibule of the Meeting House of the First Parish, eight days at least before the time of meeting, and to make return thereof, with your doings thereon, to either of us before the time of meeting. *Hereof fail not.*

Dated at Lincoln this twelfth day of October, in the year of our Lord one thousand eight hundred and ninety-six.

SAMUEL HARTWELL,	}	<i>Selectmen of Lincoln.</i>
JOHN F. FARRAR,		
CHARLES S. WHEELER,		

Nov. 3, 1896.—Pursuant to the foregoing warrant, the meeting opened at 10 o'clock A. M. Wm. L. G. Peirce and Thomas L. Giles were appointed tellers and were sworn by the Chairman of the Selectmen.

The ballot box was shown with the register at 000. The polls were closed at 4.10 P. M. with register showing 172; the checks on the lists of tellers showed 164 persons voted, and the ballots counted 164, as follows:

#### FOR ELECTORS OF PRESIDENT AND VICE-PRESIDENT.

AT LARGE.—	Ernest C. Marshall of Boston,	20 votes.
	Daniel W. Kenney of Holyoke,	20 "
	Henry Winn of Malden,	1 "
	Edward Kendall of Cambridge,	4 "
	Alfred W. Richardson of Springfield,	4 "
	John Q. A. Brackett of Arlington,	115 "
	William H. Haile of Springfield,	115 "
	Thomas J. Gargan of Boston,	8 "
	James S. Grinnell of Greenfield,	8 "
DISTRICT No. 1.—	William B. Mahoney of Westfield,	20 "
	Frank S. Gross of Lee,	1 "
	Edward S. Rogers of Lee,	4 "
	Franklin Carter of Williamstown,	115 "
	James W. Hull of Pittsfield,	8 "
DISTRICT No. 2.—	Joseph F. Callanan of Springfield,	20 "
	William E. Mellen of Chicopee,	1 "
	Hubbard Lawrence of Palmer,	4 "
	Augustus Coolidge of Athol,	115 "
	Leander B. Morse of Athol,	8 "

DISTRICT No. 3.—	Levi Barker of Worcester,	20	votes.
	Enoch Earle of Worcester,	1	“
	John Holt of Sutton,	4	“
	Arthur F. Whitin of Northbridge,	115	“
	Eben Stevens of Dudley,	8	“
DISTRICT No. 4.—	Henry J. Jaquith of Wellesley,	20	“
	Harry J. Jaquith of Wellesley,	1	“
	Edward G. Watkins of Gardner,	4	“
	Charles H. Moulton of Waltham,	115	“
	Charles J. Williams of Acton,	8	“
DISTRICT No. 5.—	Michael O'Mahoney of Lawrence,	20	“
	James E. Donoghue of Lawrence,	1	“
	James K. Fellows of Lowell,	4	“
	Joseph Miller of Lowell,	115	“
	Sam D. Stevens of North Andover,	8	“
DISTRICT No. 6.—	James P. Dearborn of Haverhill,	20	“
	Thomas Sanders of Haverhill,	1	“
	Albert B. Coats of Beverly,	4	“
	Sylvanus Smith of Gloucester,	115	“
	Robert S. Rantoul of Salem,	8	“
DISTRICT No. 7.—	Edward B. Newhall of Lynn,	20	“
	William J. Brickley of Everett,	1	“
	Seth Weston of Chelsea,	4	“
	Edward W. LaCroix of Lynn,	115	“
	Samuel K. Hamilton of Wakefield,	8	“
DISTRICT No. 8.—	John P. McCormick of Cambridge,	20	“
	Abijah Hall of Boston,	4	“
	Robert O. Fuller of Cambridge,	115	“
	Godfrey Morse of Boston,	8	“
DISTRICT No. 9.—	James J. Lanigan of Boston,	20	“
	William J. Burke of Boston,	1	“
	Charles A. Abbott of Boston,	4	“
	Peter Morrison of Boston,	115	“
	Sigourney Butler of Boston,	8	“
DISTRICT No. 10.—	Quincy A. Lothrop of Boston,	21	“
	William J. Hurd of Boston,	4	“
	John C. Cobb of Milton,	115	“
	Daniel L. Prendergast of Boston,	8	“

DISTRICT No. 11.—	William D. Leahy of Milford,	20	votes.
	James Jeffrey Roche of Brookline,	1	“
	William H. Partridge of Newton,	4	“
	Wilbur H. Powers of Hyde Park,	115	“
	James E. Cotter of Hyde Park,	8	“
DISTRICT No. 12.—	Francis A. Hobart of Braintree,	21	“
	Edwin Sawtelle of Brockton,	4	“
	Henry A. Thomas of Weymouth,	115	“
	Charles G. Davis of Plymouth,	8	“
DISTRICT No. 13.—	Thomas J. Meaney of New Bedford,	20	“
	Charles H. Lane of Tisbury,	1	“
	Charles A. Chase of Swanzey,	4	“
	Edmund Anthony of Fairhaven,	115	“
	Louis B. Thacher of Yarmouth,	8	“
FOR GOVERNOR.—	Allen Coffin of Nantucket,	6	“
	Frederick O. Prince of Boston,	7	“
	Geo. Fred Williams of Dedham,	29	“
	Roger Wolcott of Boston,	100	“
FOR LIEUTENANT-GOVENOR.—			
	Christopher T. Callahan of Holyoke,	28	“
	W. Murray Crane of Dalton,	91	“
	James E. McConnell of Fitchburg,	6	“
	William J. Nash of Williamsburg,	6	“
FOR SECRETARY.—	Waldo Lincoln of Worcester,	10	“
	William M. Olin of Boston,	93	“
	Joseph H. Potts of Lynn,	23	“
	Willard O. Wylie of Beverly,	7	“
FOR TREASURER.—	Robert C. Habberly of Hyde Park,	8	“
	Edward P. Shaw of Newburyport,	90	“
	Horace P. Toby of Wareham,	13	“
	Thomas A. Watson of Braintree,	21	“
FOR AUDITOR —	Maurice P. Cavanaugh of Springfield,	5	“
	Maurice J. Fitzgerald of Boston,	20	“
	Thomas A. Frissell of Hinsdale,	7	“
	John W. Kimball of Fitchburg,	93	“
	Charles C. Spellman of Springfield,	7	“



## FOR ATTORNEY-GENERAL.—

Wolcott Hamlin of Amherest,	7 votes.
Henry F. Hurlburt of Lynn,	8 “
Hosea M. Knowlton of New Bedford,	95 “
John B. O'Donnell of Northampton,	22 “

FOR COUNCILLOR.—William E. Rand of Concord,	31 “
Elisha H. Shaw of Chelmsford,	96 “
S. Hartwell,	1 “

FOR SENATOR.—Henry Parsons of Marlboro,	108 “
C. S. Wheeler,	1 “

## FOR REPRESENTATIVE IN GENERAL COURT.—

Charles E. Brown of Concord,	99 “
Dr. Hayden,	2 “

## FOR CLERK OF COURTS.—

Theodore C. Hurd of Winchester,	92 “
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## FOR COUNTY COMMISSIONER.—

Levi S. Gould of Melrose,	95 “
George A. Perkins of Cambridge,	33 “

## FOR REPRESENTATIVE IN CONGRESS.—

I. Porter Morse of Marlboro,	34 “
George W. Weymouth of Fitchburg,	93 “

## FOR FIRST ARTICLE OF AMENDMENT.—

Yes,	38 “
No,	58 “

## FOR SECOND ARTICLE OF AMENDMENT.—

Yes,	34 “
No,	55 “

Adjourned.

JAMES L. CHAPIN, *Town Clerk.*

## TOWN CLERK'S REPORT.

The following Births, Marriages and Deaths have been recorded  
for the year ending January 1, 1897:

Births,	15
Marriages,	13
Deaths,	18

### BIRTHS REGISTERED.

Date of Birth.	Name of Child.	Names of Parents.
Nov. 29, 1894,	Josephine Guirada.	John and Scolastica Guirada.
July 12, 1895,	Sarah Annie Driscoll.	John J. and Dora L. Driscoll.
Jan. 5, 1896,	Edward McLeod.	Angus B. and Martha J. McLeod.
" 14, "	Mildred Cleves Patterson.	Arthur W. and Eva M. Patterson.
Feb. 16, "	Lewis Melville Miner.	Everett L. and Catherine V. Miner.
Apr. 24, "	Minerva Browning.	E. C. and S. L. Browning.
" 25, "	Lillie May Holman.	Amos and Katherine Holman.
May 8, "	Thomas Francis Bernard.	Cornelius and Elizabeth J. Bernard.
July 30, "	Henry Walter Johnson.	Charles W. and Elvira Johnson.
Sept. 20, "	Jessie Ann Wormsley.	George W. and Edith M. Wormsley.
Nov. 26, "	Margaret Ann Fitzgerald.	William and Alice L. Fitzgerald.
Dec. 10, "	Mary Alice Bennett.	Henry and Amelia Bennett.
" 22, "	Rosann O'Brien.	James and Ellen O'Brien.
" 25, "	(Infant) Dougherty.	Andrew J. and Annie M. Dougherty.
" 28, "	Harriet A. Mayo.	Robert E. and Margaret A. Mayo.

Whole number of Births registered,	15
Males,	4
Females,	11

#### Nativity of Parents.

United States,	11
Nova Scotia,	9
Ireland,	5
Sweden,	2
Cape Breton,	1
Austria,	1
Italy,	1

## MARRIAGES REGISTERED.

Date of Marriage.		Names.	Age.	Residence.
Jan.	1, 1896,	{ John A. Butcher. Elizabeth A. Snow.	22 23	Lincoln. Stoughton.
"	1, "	{ John Todd. Martha Hampton.	26 17	Waltham. Waltham.
Feb.	18, "	{ Hugh McKinnon. Annie Currie	31 26	Lincoln. Everett.
April	18, "	{ S. Rodman Snelling. Edith M. L. Bamforth.	27 24	Lincoln. Charlestown.
"	28, "	{ James O'Neil. Elizabeth F. Ryan.	30 25	Lynn. Lincoln.
June	27, "	{ George W. Womersley. Edith M. Munroe.	22 21	Lincoln. Everett.
July	22, "	{ Ansel S. Richards. Mary C. Flint.	24 33	Lincoln. Lincoln.
Aug.	20, "	{ Thomas L. Giles. Anna H. Farrar.	39 30	Lincoln. Lincoln.
Sept.	24, "	{ James Bragg. Anna Bella Smith.	33 25	Lincoln. Natick.
"	27, "	{ Frank Scheuermann. Ellen Kennedy.	21 18	Waltham. Lincoln.
Oct.	24, "	{ John M. Collins. Mary E. Welch.	26 22	Concord. Lincoln.
"	27, "	{ Henry B. Adams. Josie Adelle Fuller.	31 23	Lincoln. Lincoln.
Nov.	11, "	{ George L. Cousins. Lillian L. Sherman.	22 20	Lincoln. Wayland.

Whole number of Marriages registered, . . . . . 13

## DEATHS REGISTERED.

Date of Death.	Names.	Age.			Cause of Death.
		Y.	Mo.	D.	
Jan. 27, 1896,	Lillian M. Hoar.	22	10	14	Typhoid Fever.
" 30, "	John Adams.	88	9		Chronic Interstitial Nephritis.
Feb. 1, "	Rebecca W. Weston.	86	11	24	Old Age.
" 22, "	William Rogers.	60			Concussion of Brain.
Mar. 11, "	Ellen Mitchell.	70			Phthisis Pulmonaris.
Apr. 11, "	Michael Maguire.	58	1		Phthisis.
June 14, "	Mary Green.	75	7	10	{ Shock as result of fracture, with Chronic Bronchitis.
" 24, "	Elizabeth Haynes.	72	9	11	Paralysis.
July 27, "	John Joseph Spencer.	15	10	14	General Peritonitis.
Aug. 4, "	Celia Thompson.	1	7	19	{ Unknown, but probably Bron- chitis from Whoop'g Cough.
" 17, "	George Ropes.	53	2	9	Appendicitis.
Oct. 11, "	Ellen B. Prentis.	51			Heart Disease, Complicated.
" 31, "	Henry C. Chapin.	81	10	6	Heart Failure.
" 31, "	Susan B. Giles.	76	6	9	Pneumonia.
Nov. 13, "	Francis A. Wheeler.	81	7	10	Softening of the Brain.
" 25, "	Infant Dempsey.				Still Born.
" 25, "	Winnifred M. Dempsey.	35	6		Child Birth.
Dec. 25, "	Infant Dougherty.			1	Difficult Birth.

Whole number of Deaths registered, . . . . . 18  
 Males, . . . . . 8  
 Females, . . . . . 10

## DOGS LICENSED.

There have been one hundred and eleven dogs licensed; ninety-five males, 16 females; for which there has been paid to the County Treasurer the sum of \$247.80.

JAMES L. CHAPIN, *Town Clerk.*

LINCOLN, Feb. 2, 1897.

## Town Grants for 1896-97.

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For Schools, . . . . .	\$3,500 00
“ School Incidentals, . . . . .	1,000 00
“ Music in Schools, . . . . .	200 00
“ Superintendent, . . . . .	100 00
“ Miscellaneous Expenses, . . . . .	2,000 00
“ Counsel Fees, . . . . .	1,200 00
“ Support of Poor, . . . . .	1,000 00
“ Highways and Bridges, . . . . .	4,000 00
“ Library—Dog Tax (\$249.09) and . . . . .	500 00
“ Interest, . . . . .	300 00
“ Payment of Water Bond, due Dec. 1, 1896, . . . . .	1,000 00
“ Cemeteries, . . . . .	300 00
“ Street Lamps, . . . . .	150 00
“ Village Improvements, . . . . .	100 00
“ Decoration Day, . . . . .	25 00
“ Payment of Temporary Loans, . . . . .	1,000 00
“ Board of Health, . . . . .	100 00
“ Public Improvement Committee, . . . . .	150 00
“ Hydrant Service, . . . . .	195 00
“ Ventilating Bemis Hall, . . . . .	200 00
	<hr/> \$17,020 00

The following grants were made later. Not assessed.

For Ventilation of Town Hall, . . . . .	\$75 00
“ Extension of Water Pipes to George Flint's, . . . . .	800 00
“ Ventilation and Heating Centre School- house, . . . . .	875 00
	<hr/> \$1,750 00



The Selectmen recommend the following amounts of money to be appropriated and raised by taxation the current year :

For Support of Schools, . . . . .	\$4,000 00
“ School Incidentals, . . . . .	1,000 00
“ Music in Schools, . . . . .	200 00
“ School Superintendent, . . . . .	100 00
“ Miscellaneous Expenses, . . . . .	2,000 00
“ Counsel Fees, . . . . .	1,000 00
“ Support of Poor, . . . . .	1,000 00
“ Highways and Bridges, . . . . .	4,000 00
“ Library, . . . . .	Dog Tax and 500 00
“ Interest, . . . . .	700 00
“ Payment of Water Bond, due Dec. 1, 1897, . . . . .	1,000 00
“ Cemeteries, . . . . .	300 00
“ Street Lamps, . . . . .	150 00
“ Village Improvement, . . . . .	100 00
“ Decoration Day, . . . . .	25 00
“ Payment of Temporary Loans, . . . . .	2,000 00
“ Board of Health, . . . . .	100 00
“ Public Improvement Committee, . . . . .	100 00
“ Repairs of Town House, . . . . .	
“ Military Aid, . . . . .	48 00

## REPORT OF SELECTMEN.

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The year 1896 witnessed a departure from the ordinary course of procedure in this Town, inasmuch as a Committee on Claims was chosen, to whom was referred all claims for or against the Town. A committee was selected who have worked assiduously to settle matters fairly and for the interest of the Town. There are still several matters yet unsettled, and others are liable to arise, and it is desirable that the committee shall be continued. Several matters will be mentioned in the reports of the various committees of which we need not speak.

Another section of the State Road in this Town has been completed, and there still remains nearly one-half mile to be built, which will in all probability be completed in 1897. This is one of the greatest acquisitions this Town has ever received, and it is the wish of the undersigned that the whole Town could have such roads to travel over. Nothing will boom a town better than good roads. People will pay money for luxuries, and good roads are certainly among the first. As the place where Paul Revere was captured is within the section of State Road completed the past year, the vote of the Town in 1895 in regard to the tablet to commemorate the spot of his capture by the British spies, might now be carried out, and the tablet erected. This is certainly a very commendable object, one that will be appreciated by history-loving people, and a lasting credit to the Town.

A statement of the receipts and expenditures of this Town for the year closing February 1, 1897, will be found elsewhere in this report.

It was the expressed wish of some that the doings of the Town at its various Town Meetings of last year might be printed in this year's report. It will be found of value for reference.

Respectfully submitted by

SAMUEL HARTWELL,	}	<i>Selectmen of Lincoln.</i>
JOHN F. FARRAR,		
CHARLES S. WHEELER,		

## Report of the Overseers of the Poor.

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The world is ever changing. This is true in all spheres of life. Since our last report to the Town, one who has been a charge to the Town for many years has passed away, viz., Sarah C. Hartwell. Her remains were brought to Lincoln for burial. The number who are a charge to the Town is not diminished, for we have been notified that two who were formerly maintained by the Town in asylums have been recommitted, and thus become again a charge to the Town, viz.: Mrs. Mary Craven and Mrs. Mary A. Souza. The present number to be supported by the Town is five (all in hospitals or asylums), viz.: Patrick Kenna, Jeremiah Burnett, Mary E. Curry, Mrs. Mary Craven and Mrs. Mary A. Souza.

The tramps are cared for by Mr. John F. Farrar, at a cost to the Town from April 1, 1896, to April 1, 1897, of \$100. A woman and small child, with apparently no home, were found wandering aimlessly about in the north part of the Town in June. They were taken in charge as vagrants by Constable Brooks, who took them before the court at Concord, where their release was advised, and they were accordingly set at liberty. Some days later complaint was made to the Overseers of the Poor that they were still in the neighborhood without visible means of support, and we were requested to care for them, which was done, and they were taken to the State Almshouse at Tewksbury.

A statement of the receipts and expenditures of this department will be found on another page.

JOHN F. FARRAR,	} Overseers
SAMUEL HARTWELL,	
CHARLES S. WHEELER,	
	} of the Poor,
	} Lincoln.

# TREASURER'S REPORT.

*The Receipts into and Payments from the Treasury from Feb. 1, 1896, to Feb. 1, 1897, have been as follows:—*

Balance in Treasury Feb. 1, 1896,	\$35 90	Paid Selectmen's Orders,	\$53,448 56
Received of County Treasurer for Dog Tax returned,	249 09	" State Tax, on account of Sudbury River Improve-	1,610 00
" of State Treasurer on account of Corporation Tax of 1895,	106 61	" " " " " " " "	18 22
" of State Treasurer on account of National Bank Tax of 1895,	68 39	Balance in Treasury,	160 69
" of State Treasurer on account of Corporation Tax of 1896,	1,688 63		
" of State Treasurer on account of National Bank Tax of 1896,	694 54		
" of State Treasurer on account of Military Aid, from Massachusetts School Fund,	153 00		
" Income Grammar School Fund,	158 39		
" for State Pauper,	46 21		
" for School Superintendent,	10 00		
" for rent of halls,	250 00		
" of Lincoln Water Works,	30 00		
" borrowed money,	760 00		
" for watching fires,	17,000 00		
" for State Highway,	20 60		
" for Assessment on Cambridge land,	6,404 76		
" for Monument,	122 31		
" for trees sold,	50 00		
" for Taxes of 1895,	15 00		
" for interest on Taxes of 1895,	8,874 15		
" for Taxes of 1896,	81 94		
" interest on Taxes of 1896,	18,385 64		
	22 31		
	<u>\$55,237 47</u>		<u>\$55,237 47</u>

E. & O. E.

CHARLES S. WHEELER, *Treasurer.*

I have examined the accounts of the Treasurer of the Town, and find the report correct.

W. L. G. PEIRCE, *Auditor.*

## EXPENDITURES.

### FOR SCHOOLS.

#### RECEIPTS.

Town Appropriation, . . . . .	\$3,500 00	
Income, Massachusetts School Fund, . . . . .	158 39	
Income, Grammar School Fund, . . . . .	46 21	
	<hr style="width: 100px; margin-left: 0;"/>	\$3,704 60

#### PAYMENTS.

##### *Center School.*

Ansel S. Richards, teaching High School, . . . . .	\$473 60	
Ernest W. Small, . . . . .	380 00	
Carrie B. Chapin, teaching Grammar Dept., . . . . .	468 00	
Harriette F. Sawin, " Primary " . . . . .	429 00	
" " for Assistant, . . . . .	22 80	
Grace Farrar, teaching, . . . . .	90 00	
Mrs. Gillis, cleaning school rooms, . . . . .	11 00	
John R. Hartwell, teaming coal, . . . . .	13 35	
Cook Brothers, coal, . . . . .	86 57	
Fitchburg R. R., freight on coal, . . . . .	34 32	
George L. Chapin, care of Center School House, . . . . .	90 00	
George L. Chapin, care of High School room, . . . . .	10 00	
	<hr style="width: 100px; margin-left: 0;"/>	\$2,108 64

##### *Carrying Children.*

H. A. Sherman, . . . . .	\$400 00	
Frank M. Dempsey, . . . . .	214 70	
John Dee, . . . . .	177 00	
	<hr style="width: 100px; margin-left: 0;"/>	\$791 70



*South School.*

Lizzie A. Brown, teaching Grammar Dept ,	\$235 20
Amanda C. Ellison, " Primary "	242 40
Nellie M. Newton, " Grammar "	228 00
Marian H. Morgan, " Primary "	213 00
John P. Boyce, care of house, . .	69 63
John R. Hartwell, teaming coal, . .	14 40
E. R. Farrar, wood, . . . .	8 50
Charles Rice, one-half cord wood, cut, .	3 00
Cook Brothers, coal, . . . .	86 56
Fitchburg R. R., freight on coal, . .	35 20
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	\$1,135 89

*North School.*

Dora R. Farrar, teaching, . . . .	\$190 00
Isaac B. Cook, two cords wood, . .	11 00
Ralph E. Butcher, sawing two cords wood,	1 50
" " care of house, . . . .	8 00
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	\$210 50
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	\$4,246 73
Receipts brought down, . . . . .	3,704 60
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Expended above receipts, . . . . .	\$542 13

## MUSIC IN SCHOOLS.

## RECEIPT.

Town Appropriation, . . . . .	\$200 00
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## PAYMENT.

F. W. Archibald, teaching, . . . . .	\$200 00
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## School Incidentals.

### RECEIPT.

Town Appropriation, . . . . .	\$1,000 00
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### PAYMENTS.

#### *Center School.*

Ansel S. Richards, . . . . .	\$4 85	
Walter B. Smith, Programs, . . . . .	4 00	
F. A. Laws, Printing five Diplomas, . . . . .	4 00	
John R. Hartwell, transporting furniture, . . . . .	8 00	
The Bobrick School Furniture Co., 20 desks, . . . . .	69 00	
		\$89 85

#### *South School.*

Lizzie A. Brown, postage and stationery . . . . .	\$1 25	
Amanda C. Ellison, sand paper disks, . . . . .	50	
Mrs. D. Doherty, washing towels, . . . . .	13 55	
Everett L. Miner, repairs and materials, . . . . .	7 64	
William Harding, labor, . . . . .	1 50	
E. R. Farrar, sundries, . . . . .	2 45	
A. B. Sherman, 100 lbs. fertilizer, . . . . .	1 90	
F. E. Cousins, two brooms, . . . . .	60	
P. McWalter, mason work, . . . . .	4 80	
Mark Mara, painting house, inside and out, . . . . .	150 00	
Magee Furnace Co., supplies for repairs, . . . . .	32 60	
Marian H. Morgan, towels and soap, . . . . .	2 56	
		\$219 35

#### *North School.*

Dora R. Farrar, stove hearth, . . . . .	\$ 35	
Ralph E. Butcher, washing towels, . . . . .	1 75	
“ “ labor and repairs, . . . . .	6 00	
John R. Hartwell, labor about school bldg., . . . . .	3 00	
		11 10
<i>Amount carried forward, . . . . .</i>		\$320 30

## GENERAL SCHOOL ACCOUNT.

<i>Amount brought forward,</i>			\$320 30
J. L. Hammett Company,	\$123 78		
Everett S. Locke, labor, material, repairs,	75 00		
David Cutter, repairing 3 clocks and expense,	9 00		
University Publishing Co., books,	35 80		
H. E. Holt, books and chart,	53 17		
Werner School Book Co., books,	3 90		
N. F. Cousins, labor, materials, repairs,	11 15		
Albert Washburn, labor, material, repairs,	11 79		
John R. Hartwell, stone, tile, freight,	3 00		
Silver, Burdett & Co., Beacon Series,	60		
George Flint, blankets and express,	9 58		
Henderson Bros., barge,	115 00		
Mrs. Thomas Coan, cleaning rooms,	16 00		
I. A. Bent, labor and materials,	8 48		
C. F. Hunt, floor brush,	1 25		
DeWolfe, Fiske & Co., books,	12 70		
George S. Perry & Co., ink wells and covers,	3 60		
L. E. Knott Apparatus Co., chemicals, etc.,	16 69		
Houghton, Mifflin & Co., 2 Fiske's Histories,	1 70		
William Ware & Co., dictionary and express,	3 45		
The American Book Co., books,	8 76		
Edward E. Babb & Co., books,	29 38		
Ginn & Company, books,	49 78		
H. McKinnon, repairs,	7 50		
Andrews-Demarest Seating Co., supplies,	10 31		
Leach, Sherwell & Sanborn, books,	9 60		
L. T. McKinney, sundries,	3 91		
R. H. Blodgett, supplies for schools,	5 75		
The Morse Company, Publishers, map,	24		
Lee & Shepard, school supplies,	4 65		
James L. Chapin & Son, sundries,	13 06	658 58	
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		\$978 88	
Unexpended balance,			\$21 12

## School Superintendent.

## RECEIPTS.

Town Appropriation,	.	.	.	.	\$100 00	
Received from State,	.	.	.	.	250 00	
						<u>\$350 00</u>

## PAYMENTS.

L. T. McKenney, services,	.	.	.	.	.	\$350 04
Receipts brought down,	.	.	.	.	.	350 00
						<u>350 00</u>
Expended above receipts,	.	.	.	.	.	\$ 0 04

## Library.

## RECEIPTS.

Town Appropriation (cash),	.	.	.	.	\$500 00	
" " (dog tax, 1895),	.	.	.	.	249 09	
						<u>\$749 09</u>

## PAYMENT.

Samuel Hartwell, Treasurer,	.	.	.	.	.	\$749 09
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## Decoration Day.

## RECEIPT.

Town Appropriation,	.	.	.	.	.	\$25 00
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## PAYMENT.

E. D. Martell, dinner for G. A. R.,	.	.	.	.	.	\$25 00
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## Monument for James H. Farrar.

## RECEIPTS.

Town Appropriation, 1895,	.	.	.	.	\$200 00	
Private subscriptions,	.	.	.	.	50 00	
						<u>\$250 00</u>

## PAYMENT.

V. V. Whitney, monument,	.	.	.	.	.	\$250 00
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## Cemeteries.

## RECEIPT.

Town Appropriation,	.	.	.	.	.	.	\$300 00
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## PAYMENTS.

John R. Hartwell, manure,	.	.	.	.	\$16 00	
Mrs. Geo. Ropes, labor of man and horse,					8 50	
Michael J. Stanley, labor,	.	.	.		34 50	
Herbert E. Barnes, four head-stones,	.				60 00	
" " labor,	.	.	.		21 00	
						\$140 00
Unexpended balance,	.	.	.	.		\$160 00

## Village Improvement.

## RECEIPT.

Town Appropriation,	.	.	.	.	.	\$100 00
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## PAYMENTS.

Edward Ryan, 9 days work on common,	.	\$15 75	
John F. Farrar, labor, with team,	.	9 00	
			\$24 75
Unexpended balance,	.	.	\$75 25

## Military Aid.

## RECEIPT.

Returned under Chap. 279, Acts of 1889,	.	.	.	\$153 00
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## PAYMENT.

Thomas Lynagh,	.	.	.	.	.	\$96 00
Unexpended balance,	.	.	.	.	.	\$57 00



## Support of Poor.

## RECEIPTS.

Town Appropriation, . . . .	\$1,000 00	
Returned for State pauper, . . . .	10 00	
		<hr/> \$1,010 00

## PAYMENTS.

D. H. Sherman, support of John McGrath and tramps to April, 1896, . . . .	\$87 50	
John F. Farrar, care of tramps from April 1 to Oct. 1, 1896 . . . . .	50 00	
H. C. Chapin, M. D., medical attendance to State paupers, . . . . .	2 25	
Worcester Lunatic Hospital, support of Patrick Kenna, one year to Jan., '97, . . . .	169 92	
Worcester Lunatic Hospital, support of Jeremiah Burnett, April 1 to June 4, 1896, . . . . .	71 96	
Medfield Insane Asylum, support of Jere- miah Burnett, June 4, 1896, to Jan. 1, 1897, . . . . .	84 40	
Westborough Insane Hospital, support of Sarah C. Hartwell to Feb. 14, 1896, and funeral expenses, . . . . .	41 14	
Westborough Insane Hospital, support of Mary E. Curry, year of 1896, . . . . .	169 94	
Westborough Insane Hospital, support of Mary A. Souza to Jan. 1, 1897, . . . . .	35 75	
		<hr/> \$712 86
Unexpended balance, . . . . .	\$297 14	

## Public Improvement Committee.

## RECEIPTS.

Town Appropriation, . . . . .	\$150 00	
Trees sold, . . . . .	15 00	
		<hr/> \$165 00

## PAYMENTS.

Shady Hill Nurseries, trees, . . . . .	\$55 20	
Samuel H. Pierce, cash for labor, . . . . .	24 00	
	<u>          </u>	\$79 20
Unexpended balance, . . . . .		<u>\$85 80</u>

## Payment of Water Bond, Due Dec. 1, 1896.

## RECEIPT.

Town Appropriation, . . . . .	\$1,000 00
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## PAYMENT.

Lincoln Water Bond, due Dec. 1, 1896, . . . . .	\$1,000 00
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## Highways and Bridges.

## RECEIPT.

Town Appropriation, . . . . .	\$4,000 00
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## PAYMENT.

Road Superintendent's orders, . . . . .	\$3,834 07
Unexpended balance, . . . . .	<u>\$165 93</u>

## Board of Health.

## RECEIPT.

Town Appropriation, . . . . .	\$100 00
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## PAYMENTS.

John A. Tolman, serving notice on Smith, Smith & DeCordova (two trips), . . . . .	\$9 00
John A. Tolman, summoning witnesses, Commonwealth vs. Smith, . . . . .	10 02
	<u>          </u>
Amount carried forward, . . . . .	\$19 02

<i>Amount brought forward,</i>			\$19 02
A. Greenwood, M. D., inspecting premises of Mrs. Sullivan and vaccinating two persons,	5 00		
A. Greenwood, M. D., paid for disinfecting,	3 00		
A. Greenwood, M. D., paid for horse and wagon hire,	2 00		
Moses W. Kidder, M. D., for services,	25 00		
Moses W. Kidder M. D., printing and postage,	75		
Moses W. Kidder, M. D., vaccination,	1 00		
Moses W. Kidder, M. D., three bottles zinc chloride,	3 00		
Samuel H. Pierce, services,	15 00		
Joseph S. Hart, services,	25 00		
“ “ cash for sundries,	3 05		
J. L. Chapin & Son, telephone and chloride of lime,	25	83 05	
		<u>\$102 07</u>	
Appropriation brought down,		100 00	
		<u>\$2 07</u>	

### Street Lamps.

#### RECEIPT.

Town Appropriation,	\$150 00
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#### PAYMENTS.

Globe Gas Light Co., naphtha, etc.,	\$45 02	
T. Wilber Smith, lighting lamps 250 nights,	62 50	
“ “ carting and express,	7 46	
	<u>\$114 98</u>	
Unexpended balance,		\$35 02

## Ventilating and Heating Center School-house.

## RECEIPT.

Town Appropriation (not assessed),	.	.	.	\$875 00
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## PAYMENTS.

Albert Washburn, labor and materials,	.	\$155 63	
P. McWalter, mason work and expense,	.	155 65	
George F. Newton, architect,	.	70 00	
Walker & Pratt Mfg. Co., furnace, etc.,	.	331 80	
			<u>\$713 08</u>
Unexpended balance of appropriation,	.	.	<u>\$161 92</u>

## Ventilating Town Hall.

## RECEIPTS.

Town Appropriation (not assessed),	.	.	\$75 00	
Town Appropriation, for Town Hall or				
Bemis Hall,	.	.	200 00	
				<u>\$275 00</u>

## PAYMENTS.

S. C. Macdonald, labor and stock,	.	.	\$28 38	
Smith & Anthony, two Globe ventilators,	.	.	36 00	
George F. Newton, cord,	.	.	65	
				<u>\$65 03</u>
Unexpended balance of appropriation,	.	.		<u>\$209 97</u>

## Hydrant Service.

## RECEIPT.

Town Appropriation, 39 hydrants at \$5,	.	.	.	\$195 00
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## PAYMENT.

Lincoln Water Works, hydrant service,	.	.	.	\$195 00
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## Interest Account.

## RECEIPTS.

Town Appropriation, . . . . .	\$500 00	
Interest on Water Bonds from Water Commissioners, . . . . .	760 00	
	<u>          </u>	\$1,260 00

## PAYMENTS.

Interest on Water Bonds, . . . . .	\$760 00	
Interest on temporary loans, . . . . .	712 68	
	<u>          </u>	\$1,472 68
Receipts brought down, . . . . .		1,260 00
		<u>          </u>
Expended above receipts, . . . . .		\$212 68

## Water Works Extension.

## PAYMENTS.

F. A. Snow, balance contract, east part, .	\$277 84	
“ “ “ “ Tower road, .	495 91	
	<u>          </u>	\$773 75

## Flint Extension.

## RECEIPT.

Town Appropriation (not assessed), . . . . .	\$800 00
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## PAYMENTS.

Walworth Mfg. Co., pipe, . . . . .	\$434 61	
Z. G. Smith, teaming pipe, . . . . .	15 00	
Chapman Valve Mfg. Co., supplies, . . . . .	39 99	
John F. Farrar, laying pipe, etc., . . . . .	388 20	
	<u>          </u>	\$877 80
Appropriation brought down, . . . . .		800 00
		<u>          </u>
Expended above appropriation, . . . . .		\$77 80



## Temporary Loans.

Middlesex Institution for Savings, note dated March 15, 1895, for 2 years,	\$10,000 00
Middlesex institution for Savings, note dated Dec. 3, 1895, . . . .	2,000 00
Commonwealth Bank, note dated March 11, 1896, . . . . .	2,000 00
Middlesex Institution for Savings, note dated April 14, 1896, . . . .	5,000 00
Commonwealth Bank, note dated June 6, 1896, . . . . .	5,000 00
Middlesex Institution for Savings, note due Jan. 11, 1897, . . . .	5,000 00
	<hr/> \$29,000 00
Town Appropriation for payment of loans, .	1,000 00
	<hr/> \$30,000 00

### PAYMENTS ON TEMPORARY LOANS HAVE BEEN MADE AS FOLLOWS:

Middlesex Institution for Savings, note dated Dec. 3, 1895, . . . .	\$2,000 00
Commonwealth Bank, note, Mar. 11, 1896,	2,000 00
Middlesex Institution for Savings, note dated April 14, 1896, . . . .	5,000 00
Commonwealth Bank, note, June 6, 1896,	5,000 00
Middlesex Institution for Savings, part payment of note for \$5,000, due Jan. 11, 1897, . . . . .	3,000 00
	<hr/> \$17,000 00
	<hr/> \$13,000 00
Less Town Appropriation for payment of loans,	1,000 00
	<hr/> \$12,000 00

## Statement of Town Debt.

Eighteen Water Bonds of \$1,000 each, \$1,000 due annually for 18 years, at 4 per cent. interest, . . . . .	\$18,000 00
Middlesex Institution for Savings, note dated March 15, 1895, for 2 years, . . . . .	10,000 00
Middlesex Institution for Savings, balance of note due Jan. 11, 1897, . . . . .	2,000 00
	<hr/> \$30,000 00

## Counsel Fees.

## RECEIPT.

Town Appropriation, . . . . .	\$1,200 00
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## PAYMENTS.

Edmond H. Bennett, written opinion concerning the rights of Lincoln in Sandy Pond, etc., . . . . .	\$50 00
Smith & Ludden, services in regard to alterations, changes of grade and discontinuance of roads in vicinity of Cambridge Water Basin, and appearance at different times before the Legislature, etc., . . . . .	300 00
Charles Mills, services as expert engineer in consultation with E. I. Smith, work on plan, examining records, at hearings of County Commissioners, etc., . . . . .	90 00
Smith & Ludden, services in regard to taking land around Sandy Pond, drafting articles for and attendance at Town Meetings, etc., . . . . .	75 00
	<hr/> \$515 00
Unexpended balance, . . . . .	<hr/> \$685 00

## Miscellaneous Expenses, Etc.

## RECEIPT.

Town Appropriation, . . . . .	\$2,000 00
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## PAYMENTS.

Frank M. Dempsey, services as Constable, .	\$4 00
D. W. Dougherty, " "	2 00
L. E. Brooks, " "	118 50
John F. Farrar, " "	15 00
Edward Bannon, " "	6 00
Charles S. Smith, inspection of animals, one year to May, 1896, . . . . .	150 00
Charles S. Smith, services as Assessor, 1895,	150 00
" " expenses to Stonington, "	7 00
" " express, postage, etc., "	3 00
Georgie H. Weston, clerical work for As- sessors, . . . . .	20 00
George M. Baker, services as Assessor, 1895,	15 00
Henry J. Jennison, services as expert on Real Estate values in DeCordova tax case, brought before the County Commissioners,	25 00
M. R. Warren, Assessors' book, 18834, .	5 00
Charles S. Wheeler, Collector, abatement of 26 poll taxes, . . . . .	52 00
Charles S. Wheeler, Collector, abatement of real estate taxes, . . . . .	91 80
North Acton Granite Works, 60 bound stones,	15 00
" " " " teaming, . . . . .	9 00
Z. G. Smith, distributing bound stones around Sandy Pond, . . . . .	14 50
L. W. Weston, labor setting bound stones, etc.	13 00
Lincoln Water Works, water service, . . .	143 00
William Barrett, Agent, insurance on School House and Town House, . . . . .	111 75
Free Press Job Print, 700 tax bills, . . .	2 50
W. H. Sherman, removing ashes and rubbish,	1 50
James T. Laird, sharpening lawn mower twice and two bolts, . . . . .	1 00

Amount carried forward, . . . . .	\$975 55
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<i>Amount brought forward,</i> . . . . .		\$975 55
Cook Brothers, coal for Town House, . . .	86 57	
John R. Hartwell, teaming coal, . . .	13 20	
Thomas L. Giles, services as ballot clerk, Nov. 3, . . . . .	4 00	
Wm. L. G. Peirce, services as ballot clerk, .	4 00	
Fitchburg R. R., freight on coal, . . .	35 68	
Albert Washburn, door hinge, . . .	2 75	
Thomas Groom & Co., order book, . . .	8 50	
“ “ “ tax coll. cash book, . . .	1 50	
Samuel Hartwell, carrying state paupers to Tewksbury, . . .	5 00	
“ “ care of same, . . .	3 00	
“ “ journey to Boston and ex- pense, . . .	3 00	
“ “ cash for sundries, . . .	2 30	
Ellen L. Campbell, land taken for new road,	5 00	
N. F. Cousins, work at Town Hall, . . .	1 00	
M. M. Welch, cleaning hose and carriage, .	2 00	
“ “ raising and cleaning water- trough, . . .	1 25	
George E. Crosby & Co., 400 Town Reports,	98 00	
“ “ “ 100 copies Voting lists, . . .	10 00	
“ “ “ Warrants (4 lots), . . .	10 00	
Charles Lunt, watching two fires, etc., .	5 00	
Patrick Craven, work at fire, . . .	1 80	
John Ryan, “ “ . . .	3 00	
Edward Ryan, “ “ . . .	3 80	
John J. Malone, “ “ . . .	3 00	
Kidder Brothers, men, “ “ . . .	7 00	
Michael Murphy, “ “ “ . . .	5 40	
Samuel Farrar, watching after fire, . . .	2 00	
Eugene Jose, “ “ . . .	2 00	
Lorenzo E. Brooks, “ “ . . .	2 00	
Clarence A. Brooks, “ “ . . .	2 00	
Hugh McKinnon, “ “ . . .	2 00	
Wm. Fitzgerald, “ “ . . .	4 00	
Charles S. Wheeler, collecting Taxes for 1895, at $1\frac{1}{2}$ per cent., . . . . .	319 73	659 48
<i>Amount carried forward,</i> . . . . .		\$1,635 03

<i>Amount brought forward,</i>						\$1,635 03
Samuel Hartwell, services as Selectman,				100	00	
“ “ “ Overseer of Poor				25	00	
“ “ “ Registrar,				10	00	
“ “ postage, stationery and ex-						
penses,				5	20	
Kidder Brothers, repairing walk at Town Hall,				3	50	
Charles S. Wheeler, postage, stationery, etc.,				8	50	
Wm. L. G. Peirce, services and expenses as						
Auditor,				12	00	
John F. Farrar, services as Selectman,				60	00	
“ “ “ Overseer of Poor,				25	00	
“ “ “ Registrar,				10	00	
“ “ “ State Road Com-						
mittee,				25	00	
Charles S. Wheeler, services as Selectman,				60	00	
“ “ “ Overseer of Poor,				25	00	
“ “ “ Registrar,				10	00	
“ “ “ Treasurer, 1896,				125	00	
Lorenzo E. Brooks, services as Committee on						
State Road,				35	00	
Samuel H. Pierce, services as Committee on						
State Road,				30	00	
Charles S. Wheeler, <del>collecting</del> judgment of						
court in the Burnham tax matter,				9,469	86	
George L. Chapin, care of Town House,				125	00	
James L. Chapin, services as Town Clerk,				63	05	
“ “ “ Registrar,				15	00	
“ “ cash for sundries,				5	75	
James L. Chapin & Son, sundries,				15	28	
Edward R. Farrar, services as School Com-						
mittee,				20	00	
Charles S. Smith, services as Assessor, 1896,				150	00	
“ “ “ Inspector of An-						
imals, etc., for						
1896,				75	00	
“ “ “ Forest Fire War-						
den,				5	00	
“ “ stationery and postage,				2	00	10,515 14
<i>Amount carried forward,</i>						\$12,150 17



<i>Amount brought forward,</i> . . . . .		\$12,150 17
Herbert E. Barnes, returning deaths, . . . . .	5 75	
“ “ fighting forest fire, . . . . .	4 60	
George Flint, services, etc., as School Committee, . . . . .	30 00	40 35
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		\$12,190 52
Receipt brought down, . . . . .		2,000 00
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Payments, etc., above receipts, . . . . .		\$10,190 52

### Recapitulation.

SELECTMEN'S ORDERS FROM FEB. 1, 1896, TO FEB. 1, 1897.

For Schools, . . . . .	\$5,425 61
School Superintendent, . . . . .	350 04
Library, . . . . .	749 09
Cemeteries, . . . . .	140 00
Temporary Loans, . . . . .	17,000 00
Interest, . . . . .	1,472 68
Support of Poor, . . . . .	712 86
Military Aid, . . . . .	96 00
Highways and Bridges, . . . . .	3,834 07
Village Improvement, . . . . .	24 75
Street Lamps, . . . . .	114 98
Decoration Day, . . . . .	25 00
Miscellaneous expenses, etc., . . . . .	12,190 52
Extension of Water Works, . . . . .	1,651 55
Payment of Water Bond, due Dec. 1, 1896, . . . . .	1,000 00
State Road, . . . . .	6,742 03
Public Improvement, . . . . .	79 20
Monument to James H. Farrar, . . . . .	250 00
Ventilating and Heating Center School House, . . . . .	713 08
Ventilation of Town and Bemis Halls, . . . . .	65 03
Hydrants, . . . . .	195 00
Counsel Fees, etc., . . . . .	515 00
Board of Health, . . . . .	102 07
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	\$53,448 56

The Selectmen present the following names of qualified men from which to supply jurors for the ensuing year :

George H. Hoar,	Herbert J. Harrington,
Charles S. Smith,	Charles E. Nelson,
Clarence A. Brooks,	George L. Chapin,
Charles P. Farnsworth,	James B. Wheeler,
Zenas G. Smith,	Louis H. Whitney,
James T. Calkins,	Edwin B. Rice,
John F. Farrar,	Ephraim B. Flint,
Albert A. Cook,	Wm. S. Briggs,
John R. Hartwell.	

SAMUEL HARTWELL,	} <i>Selectmen</i>
JOHN F. FARRAR,	
CHARLES S. WHEELER,	
	<i>of</i>
	<i>Lincoln.</i>

LINCOLN, Feb. 9, 1897.

## Report of the Committee on Claims.

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The Committee on Claims of the town of Lincoln, appointed at the last annual town meeting, present the following report :

Under the vote of the town the committee was instructed and authorized to consider all disputed claims and demands of whatever kind which shall be presented to the town, and to compromise or defend the same before any tribunal ; to bring in the name of the town such suits at law or equity, or institute such other proceedings before any tribunal, as may in their judgment be necessary and proper to protect the interests and property of the town, and to compromise any such suit or other proceeding ; to take necessary and proper measures for the collection and preservation of evidence relating to any controversy in which the town is or may be a party ; to represent the town before the Legislature of the Commonwealth in matters affecting the interests of town ; to employ counsel to appear in the name and behalf of the town for any of the aforesaid objects ; to have charge of the expenditure of any appropriation made for such objects unless otherwise specifically provided for ; and in all matters so far as practicable, to act in connection with the particular board or committee affected thereby.

The committee would report that they have attended to the duties specified in the foregoing vote, and have taken action in the following suits and controversies which were specifically referred to them.

(1) "All suits and petitions in regard to the abatement of taxes and the recovery of taxes paid under protest."

1. *Israel G. Whitney et al., trustees, v. the Town of Lincoln.*

This suit involved the question of the residence of Mr. W. A. Burnham in the town of Lincoln in the year 1894, and was an action of contract to recover back a tax assessed upon the trustees of the Burnham estate by the assessors of Lincoln for the year 1894, which tax was paid under protest. The action was brought in the Superior Court of Middlesex County by writ dated Jan. 29, 1895, and the damages claimed were \$12,000.

The committee has, under advice of counsel, compromised this suit, and judgment has been entered therefor for the plaintiff for the sum of \$3419 15, which judgment has been satisfied.

2. *William A. Burnham v. the Town of Lincoln.*

This was an action of contract to recover back poll and personal taxes assessed upon William A. Burnham by the assessors of Lincoln in the years 1894 and 1895, which taxes were paid under protest. The action was begun in the Superior Court of Middlesex County by writ dated Jan. 14, 1896, and the damages claimed were \$150.00

This suit involved the same issue as the foregoing, which was the domicile of Mr. Burnham in 1894 and 1895, and has been compromised by the entry of a judgment for the plaintiff for \$16.50 without costs, which judgment has been satisfied.

3. *Charles S. Wheeler, collector, v. Israel G. Whitney et al., trustees.*

This was an action brought by the collector of the town against the trustees of the Burnham estate to collect a tax assessed upon the trustees by the assessors of Lincoln in the year 1895. The same question of domicile was involved in this suit as in the foregoing cases, and under the advice of counsel the committee has compromised it by the entry of a judgment in favor of the collector for the sum of \$4043.66, which judgment has been paid to the town by the trustees.

4. *Charles S. Wheeler, collector, v. Israel G. Whitney et al., trustees.*

This suit was the same as the preceding except that it was brought by the collector for a tax assessed in 1896. Like the other suit it has been compromised by the committee by the entry of a judgment in favor of the collector for the sum of \$4000.00, which has since been paid to the town by the trustees.

5. *The Town of Lincoln v. The County Commissioners of Middlesex.*

This is a petition now pending in the Supreme Judicial Court brought by the town to quash the proceedings of the County Commissioners in abating a personal property tax assessed by the assessors of Lincoln in 1894 upon the Thomas Dana estate, of which Julian De Cordova is the surviving trustee. The assessors imposed a tax for that year upon personal property belonging to the estate amounting to \$150,000, but upon petition of the trustee

to the county commissioners, the amount of taxable property was reduced by them to \$34,447.00; whereupon Feb. 11, 1896, the town brought its petition in the Supreme Judicial Court, as above mentioned, to quash the proceedings of the commissioners.

In regard to this case the committee has not yet succeeded in reaching a satisfactory basis of adjustment. It is, however, not without hopes of accomplishing this result at a not remote period.

6. *Mary E. D. de Cordova v. the Town of Lincoln.*

This was a petition to the County Commissioners of Middlesex by Mary E. D. de Cordova for further abatement of a tax which had been assessed in the year 1895 upon real estate in Lincoln standing in her name; although the assessors of Lincoln had already granted her an abatement from \$30,000, the original assessment, to \$25,000. The County Commissioners abated the tax to \$18,000.

7. *Mary E. D. de Cordova v. The Town of Lincoln.*

This was a proceeding of the same nature as the foregoing petition to procure an abatement of a tax assessed upon real estate in 1896. In view of the previous action of the County Commissioners, the Committee did not deem it best to make any contest and the tax was reduced from \$20,000, the amount fixed by the assessors, to \$18,000.

(2). "The suit of *Francis Smith v. The Town of Lincoln.*"

In this suit the plaintiff seeks by a writ dated Jan. 18, 1896, to eject the town from the possession of the "engine house lot," so called, upon the ground that the town has never acquired a legal title to the premises. This suit is still pending in the Superior Court of Middlesex County.

The land upon which the engine house stands was taken by the Water Commissioners of Lincoln, March 13, 1876, for water purposes, and by direction of the Committee the counsel of the town has entered an appearance in court and will contest the case when it comes up for trial.

(3). "All suits, petitions and controversies relating to the alteration, changing of grade, or locating anew of roads by the city of Cambridge to accommodate a new reservoir in the east part of the town."

The general nature of this litigation has been set forth in previous town reports, and it suffices here to say that the main controversy has been upon the question whether the city of Cambridge



shall re-construct the old road, which is about two miles long, lying upon the westerly side of the land taken by the city for a water basin, and keep such road in repair for five years. The road was laid out by the County Commissioners at the expense of the city of Cambridge by an order made by them in September, 1895, from which order the city appealed to the Supreme Judicial Court. The case was argued in that court last September by counsel in behalf of the town, and the order of the County Commissioners has since been sustained by the opinion of the court. The town has been wholly successful in this affair, and it seems that nothing remains for the city of Cambridge to do but to re-construct the road and to keep it in repair in pursuance of the order of the County Commissioners.

(4). "All suits and controversies pending or which may arise during the ensuing year between Lincoln and Concord in regard to the right of the said towns respectively in and to the waters of Sandy Pond."

At a town meeting in January, 1896, the town of Concord authorized its water commissioners to institute proceedings against the town of Lincoln to recover a portion of the damages which were paid by Concord to private persons at the time Concord originally took the waters of Sandy Pond in 1874; to institute proceedings to decide the rights of the towns respectively in the pond; or to compromise any of the matters in controversy between the two towns. During the year the water commissioners of Concord made a demand upon the water commissioners of Lincoln for the payment of a portion of the damages mentioned above, which demand was referred by the Lincoln water commissioners to this committee. After full consideration of the legal rights of the town, the committee advised the water board to decline to make any payment whatever to Concord on account of its claim.

The committee has also taken necessary and proper steps to protect the rights of the town in any litigation which may hereafter take place in regard to the title of the town in the waters of Sandy Pond.

(5) "All suits and controversies pending or which may arise during the ensuing year in regard to any taking or acquirement of land for raising, flowing, holding, diverting, conducting, purifying or preserving the waters of Sandy Pond."

1. *Charles S. Smith v. The Town of Lincoln.*

This is a petition for assessment of damages occasioned by the taking by the town on March 10, 1896, of certain land upon the shores of Sandy Pond for water purposes under the provisions of Chapter 188 of the Acts of 1872. The order of notice thereon is returnable to the Superior Court of Middlesex County, March 1, 1897. No proposition for the settlement of this case has been made to the committee.

2. *Francis Smith v. The Town of Lincoln.*

This is a petition in the same court and returnable on the same date and for the same purpose as the foregoing petition, and grows out of the same taking of land. No proposition of compromise has as yet been made by either party.

By vote of the town the committee was requested to draft a code of By-Laws. The committee has attended to this duty and will report at the town meeting a set of By-Laws, the adoption of which it recommends.

Finally, the committee recommends that, as several matters referred to them have not yet been fully adjusted, although they are now in the process of adjustment, the committee be continued for another year with the same powers as during the year just now ended.

Respectfully submitted,

CHARLES F. ADAMS,	} Committee	
WILLIAM S. BRIGGS.		on
CHARLES S. WHEELER,		Claims.

## ASSESSORS' REPORT.

### VALUATION MAY 1, 1896.

Personal Estate, . . . . .	\$1,336,743 00
Real Estate, . . . . .	791,711 00
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	\$2,128,454 00
Additions to Real Estate, . . . . .	5,500 00
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	\$2,133,954 00

### TAXES.

State Tax, . . . . .	\$1,610 00
County Tax, . . . . .	2,309 46
Town Grants, . . . . .	17,220 00
Overlayings, . . . . .	791 08
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	\$21,930 54
Sudbury River Tax, . . . . .	18 22
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	\$21,948 76
Additional Tax on Real Estate, . . . . .	55 00
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	\$22,003 76
Abatements, Real Estate, . . . . .	2 88
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	\$22,000 88
Additional polls, 4, . . . . .	8 00
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Total net Assessment, . . . . .	\$22,008 88

Number of polls, . . . . . 323  
 Additional, . . . . . 4

327 at \$2, . . . . . \$654 00

Rate of taxation, \$10 per \$1,000.

## ASSETS.

School-Houses, . .	\$17,000 00
Pub. Lib. and Books, .	33,000 00
Other Public Buildings, .	25,000 00
Cemeteries, . . .	5,000 00
Water Works, . . .	70,000 00
Fire Apparatus, . .	1,000 00
Trust Funds, . . .	36,818 17

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\$187,818 17

## LIABILITIES.

Water Bonds, .	\$18,000 00
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Assets above Liabilities, \$169,818.17.

## EXEMPTED PROPERTY.

Library and Books, . . . . .	\$33,000 00
Religious Societies, . . . . .	34,000 00
South Hall Corporation, . . . . .	900 00
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	\$67,900 00

A table showing the Valuation, Tax, Tax Rate, etc., since the year 1860:

Year	No. Polls	Value Persona Estate	Value Real Estate	Amount of Tax	Rate per \$1,000	No. Houses	No. acres Land
1861	203	\$ 159,233	\$385,660	\$4,069 53	\$6 66	125	8842
1862	205	149,695	392,445	5,137 14	8 46	128	8842
1863	199	185,756	394,215	6,798 41	10 80	128	8842
1864	204	98,117	397,041	8,277 74	15 54	130	8842
1865	200	162,680	399,481	9,359 68	15 54	129	8844
1866	198	185,855	398,865	6,725 99	10 44	129	8844
1867	202	196,149	398,930	7,633 99	11 80	131	8844
1868	203	199,915	401,601	5,120 73	7 50	132	8844
1869	206	210,479	403,147	6,876 63	10 20	135	8842
1870	213	227,931	411,631	11,545 62	17 00	136	8844
1871	239	237,627	421,455	10,612 80	15 00	138	8844
1872	231	330,860	531,425	10,740 85	10 90	139	8844
1873	217	257,085	533,287	11,639 69	13 70	145	8844
1874	235	251,797	551,827	12,702 16	14 70	146	8713
1875	250	226,816	548,972	12,391 73	14 90	147	9130
1876	256	231,077	557,713	23,921 66	17 00	154	8976
1877	269	217,572	566,038	12,684 07	15 50	157	8977
1878	254	215,302	563,074	11,016 21	13 50	155	8977
1879	362	193,749	567,259	7,373 00	9 00	157	8957
1880	257	326,748	565,839	6,583 72	6 80	159	8840
1881	264	363,677	564,344	6,906 16	6 00	159	8834
1882	257	709,160	565,366	8,803 11	6 50	156	8845
1883	278	586,407	582,186	9,671 02	7 80	160	8867
1884	287	518,676	587,201	12,075 12	10 40	160	8905
1885	284	467,079	602,890	5,703 85	4 80	163	8913
1886	284	697,448	609,320	12,067 56	8 80	164	8946
1887	296	782,085	619,995	12,089 02	8 20	170	8963
1888	282	1,000,792	629,485	10,671 67	6 20	170	8973
1889	299	751,340	633,760	17,357 65	12 10	171	8978
1890	310	890,603	649,085	13,547 38	8 40	177	8973
1891	276	1,839,382	678,095	14,897 12	5 70	180	8970
1892	283	1,704,793	704,230	18,623 18	7 50	183	8970
1893	295	1,154,403	780,310	20,893 86	10 50	187	8970
1894	314	1,457,601	785,490	18,569 73	8 00	185	8970
1895	301	1,637,335	797,584	21,315 72	8 50	185	8970
1896	323	1,336,743	791,711	21,948 76	10 00	185	8970



Two years ago we had occasion to refer in our report, to the tragic death of one of our number, Mr. James H. Farrar, and to testify to his sterling character. This year death has again taken one of our number, Mr. GEO. ROPES, suddenly from the active duties of life. We feel that our Board and Town have sustained a great and irreparable loss. As we became more intimately acquainted with him, we respected, admired, yea loved him, for those generous, true and noble qualities which go to make the complete man. His conscientious and faithful performance of the many hard and irksome duties connected with the administration of the office of Assessor, have often been, and will ever be, an inspiration to those who were associated with him.

For reasons which will be obvious to those conversant with the Burnham tax case, we think it best not to discuss it except to say, that what has been accomplished by the "Committee on Claims," goes to prove most conclusively, that the ground taken by the Assessors was tenable, viz. : That Mr. Burnham's domicile was in Lincoln, and that his proportion of the John A. Burnham estate was legally taxable here. After the "Committee on Claims" had disposed of the case finally, it remained for us to complete their work, by securing about fifteen hundred dollars additional, and the prospect of about five hundred dollars annually, so long as Mr. Burnham retains his domicile here.

Time alone can demonstrate how wisely the "Committee on Claims" have acted, and what permanent results they have secured.

In regard to the contested tax on the estate of Thomas Dana, we understand that it remains practically the same as last year, except that Mr. De Cordova will, if the Town's case against him is withdrawn, enter into some kind of an agreement with the "Committee on Claims," provided the present Board of Assessors are deposed.

There is a disposition on the part of some of our citizens, to criticise the acts of the Assessors, accusing them of "driving taxable property out of town." These same critics would adopt a policy toward men of wealth, which would be a direct violation of the laws of the Commonwealth, a policy which is pernicious in the extreme, and if carried into practice is criminal, and suicidal to the best interests of the town we believe. Our acts have been,

and will be, such as will bear the light of day, and will we trust be approved by all fair-minded citizens.

There is a saying, that forewarned is forearmed; and we wish to suggest to all our taxpayers and citizens, that a conservative and economic expenditure of money is the only sure way to secure what we have enjoyed in the past, and what we hope to have in the future, viz., a low tax-rate.

Respectfully submitted,

CHARLES S. SMITH,	}	<i>Assessors of Lincoln.</i>
GEO. M. BAKER,		

## Report of Highway Surveyor.

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The money appropriated by the Town for the repairs of Highways and Bridges the past year has been expended as follows: Highway Surveyor, \$340; snow work, \$95; scraping roads and picking up stones, and cleaning out gutters, \$325; repairs on South Great road, \$75; road from Wayland to Concord, \$50; road from Haynes Corner to Wayland, \$270; road from Jones Corner to Weston, \$60; Tower road, \$50; road past Mr. Cousins', \$83; Sandy Pond road, \$25; from depot to Center, \$484; from corner Sandy Pond road to Mr. Barnes', \$495; from Center to Weston, \$315; from Center to Lincoln St., Waltham, \$195; from East Schoolhouse to Whitney's Corner, \$95; from Plain road to Spencer's Corner, \$40; Bedford road, \$120; Virginia road, \$195; road from North Great road to Virginia road, \$45; culverts, railings, and cutting brush beside road, \$50; for gravel, \$85; stone drag, tools, and repairs on tools, \$37; one road machine, \$235, less \$50 for two old machines, \$185; broken stone, \$30, and for other general repairs, etc., \$92.32, making a total of \$3,836.32.

The guide boards are in very good condition and in their proper places.

Following will be found a statement of receipts and payments.

DANIEL H. SHERMAN,

*Highway Surveyor.*

## RECEIPTS.

Town appropriation, . . . . \$4,000 00

## PAYMENTS.

1896.

Feb. 10.	G. W. & E. C. Browning,	
	as per bill,	\$3 00
Mar. 6.	Hanlon, Roach & Spencer,	
	as per bill,	7 00
" 16.	Frank Dempsey,	6 42
" 17.	Wm. Dempsey,	5 84
" 21.	Thomas Coan,	1 15
" 24.	Wm. Ryan,	2 92
" 27.	J. R. Hartwell,	25 43
" 27.	W. J. Conway,	3 71
Apr. 1.	D. H. Sherman,	20 81
" 18.	John Ryan,	16 92
" 18.	Patrick Craven,	17 50
" 18.	Edward Ryan,	14 00
" 18.	J. J. Driscoll,	41 03
May 2.	D. H. Sherman,	250 12
" 2.	John J. Malone,	31 50
" 2.	Patrick Craven,	17 50
" 2.	Charles Lunt,	15 75
" 2.	John Ryan,	17 50
" 2.	L. E. Brooks,	11 70
" 4.	Edward Ryan,	15 75
" 6.	John Ryan, 2d,	17 50
" 9.	Martin Mannion,	11 56
" 12.	Geo. N. Bean,	28 50
" 19.	Buttrick Lumber	
	Co.,	10 28
" 22.	A. S. Brooks,	12 00
" 23.	Patrick Craven,	7 77
" 30.	Charles Lunt,	26 83
" 30.	John J. Malone,	25 08
" 30.	John Ryan,	26 83
" 30.	Edward Ryan,	25 08
" 30.	Patrick Craven,	18 08
" 30.	J. F. Farrar,	72 37
" 30.	D. H. Sherman,	190 00

*Amount carried forward,* . . . . \$997 43

*Amount brought forward,* . . . . \$ 997 43

June	13.	L. E. Brooks, as per bill,	47	49	
"	13.	John Ryan, "	15	75	
"	20.	Patrick Craven, "	22	75	
"	24.	John White, "	5	25	
"	25.	Roger Sherman, "	14	40	
"	28.	J. T. Calkins, "	1	94	
"	25.	Michael Blake, "	14	00	
"	27.	John J. Malone, "	15	75	
July	1.	D. H. Sherman, "	231	25	
"	1.	Edward Ryan, "	35	00	
"	1.	American Road			
		Machine Co., "	185	00	
"	1.	John Flemming, "	17	50	
"	2.	W. H. Sherman, "	213	75	
"	6.	J. F. Farrar, "	45	75	
"	8.	Patrick Craven, "	10	50	
"	10.	James Knox, "	16	00	
"	11.	John Ryan, "	19	25	
"	20.	Charles Lunt, "	26	45	
"	20.	John O. Alger, "	16	50	
"	23.	Charles Wright, "	6	02	
Sept.	5.	Patrick Craven, "	17	50	
"	22.	John Ryan, "	35	00	
"	26.	Geo. B. Cunningham, "	19	00	
Oct.	3.	Charles Lunt, "	45	50	
"	3.	Edward Ryan, "	45	50	
"	3.	John Ryan, "	12	25	
"	3.	James Hutton, "	28	00	
"	3.	Patrick Craven, "	22	75	
"	3.	D. H. Sherman, "	344	38	
"	13.	Patrick Craven, "	11	38	
"	31.	Charles Lunt, "	34	12	
"	31.	John Ryan, "	34	12	
"	31.	Edward Ryan, "	32	12	
"	31.	James Hutton, "	34	12	
"	31.	Patrick Craven, "	20	12	
"	31.	D. H. Sherman, "	327	00	
Nov.	7.	Frank Dempsey, "	14	25	
"	9.	Wm. Hosey, "	4	47	
"	9.	N. F. Cousins, "	2	50	2,044 48

*Amount carried forward,* . . . . \$3,041 91



*Amount brought forward,* . . . . \$3,041 91

Nov.	14.	Patrick Craven, as per bill,	14 87	
"	19.	Charles Connors, "	8 75	
"	19.	Matthew Ellsworth, "	5 20	
"	21.	Charles Lunt, "	24 50	
"	25.	Patrick Craven, "	3 50	
"	25.	John Ryan, "	24 50	
"	26.	Richard Delhanty, "	9 62	
"	28.	James Hutton, "	1 75	
"	30.	John Maguire, "	31 69	
"	30.	Edward Ryan, "	24 50	
"	30.	D. H. Sherman, "	191 62	
Dec.	4.	Michael Ward, "	12 50	
"	12.	W. H. Sherman, "	216 13	
"	22.	A. J. Dougherty, "	22 00	

1897.

Jan.	1.	T. F. Ham, "	3 52	
"	1.	Mass. Broken Stone Co., "	30 66	
"	1.	J. A. Burgess, "	13 85	
"	1.	Mrs. Mayer, "	8 65	
"	16.	Kidder Bros., "	29 75	
"	16.	John Boyce, "	2 62	
"	16.	John P. Boyce, "	14 87	
"	16.	F. A. Hayden, "	17 50	
"		A. G. Jones, "	8 75	
"	23.	Geo. R. Wheeler, "	6 29	
Feb.	1.	W. H. Sherman, "	19 80	
"	1.	D. H. Sherman, "	47 12	794 41

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\$3,836 32

Unexpended balance, . . . . \$163 68

Having examined the accounts of the Road Commissioner, I find them correct.

W. L. G. PEIRCE, *Auditor.*

# Report of the State Highway Committee.

## RECEIPTS AND EXPENDITURES ON STATE ROAD.

### RECEIPTS.

Amount brought forward from 1895,	\$5,927 80	
1896.		
Received from State Treasurer,	6,207 29	
American Road Machine Co.	52 49	
Town of Arlington,	124 73	
Edwin Wheeler, screenings,	9 75	
R. F. Wright, "	5 00	
G. A. Davis, "	5 50	
		\$12,332 56

### EXPENDITURES.

Paid for labor:		
L. E. Brooks,	\$1,115 69	
J. F. Farrar,	391 15	
S. H. Pierce,	187 33	
Z. G. Smith,	117 00	
J. Connors,	8 81	
James Giblin,	68 07	
John Curry.	9 92	
Frank J. Curry,	9 92	
I. B. Cook,	42 34	
M. McDonald,	1 50	
Wm. Connors,	116 58	
J. T. Calkins,	54 91	
J. L. Calkins,	92 07	
Orrin Hodgdon,	86 57	
P. Connors,	51 00	
Wm. Bowman,	16 50	
Wm. Wright,	12 50	
Edward Welch,	20 75	
Amount carried forward,		\$2,402 61

<i>Amount brought forward,</i>	.	.	.	.	.	\$2,402 61
James Smith,					19 25	
John Murphy,					32 24	
Daniel Holman,					87 24	
Wm. Woods,					45 67	
Wm. Collins,					22 50	
John Odette,					42 55	
James Odette,					87 75	
Henry G. Lock,					91 50	
Daniel Flynn,					29 74	
John J. Malone,					57 49	
Richard Joyce,					25 41	
Michael Cuff,					78 76	
Edward Giblin,					8 08	
William Brewster,					10 50	
Allan McKinnon,					70 91	
William Ryan,					20 25	
Norman Davidson,					3 00	
Albert Lawrence,					67 24	
Richard Delehanty,					29 25	
Frank M. Dempsey,					9 00	
James Biggins,					17 50	
Daniel Cook,					29 42	
John Wright,					9 00	
David Murry,					33 25	927 50
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						3,330 11
 Paid for stone :						
A. S. Brooks,					\$139 01	
J. A. Butcher,					244 75	
George C. Lynch,					140 83	
Charles W. Prescott,					90 34	
Martin Nevilles,					36 89	
Michael Murphy,					63 80	
George N. Bean,					55 65	
Martin Bradley,					11 05	
John Dee,					221 86	
Frank Curry,					115 01	
Martin Bulger,	(gravel)				1 60	
R. F. Wright,	"				16 05	
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						1,136 74
 <i>Amount carried forward,</i>	.	.	.	.	.	<hr/> \$4,466 85

*Amount brought forward, . . . . .* \$4,466 85

MISCELLANEOUS.

Am. Road Machine Co., crushing stone,	\$1,444 00	
Charles S. Wheeler, tools and repairs,	21 40	
Bigelow & Dowse Co., tools,	4 25	
Chandler & Farquhar, “	7 32	
Buttrick Lumber Co , lumber,	119 24	
G. F. Frost, drain pipe,	14 40	
James B. Wood, coal,	1 30	
Ames Plow Company, tools,	15 23	
Fitchburg R. R. Co., freight,	19 95	
T. L. Giles, weighing,	50 00	
J. L. & H. K. Potter, water-cart (use of),	37 00	
Town of Arlington, roller (use of),	391 50	
J. A. Russell, repairs on tools,	11 70	
J. A. Burgess, “ “	11 00	
Pierce & Winn, coal,	1 13	
J. A. Higgins, hardware,	7 45	
Acton Granite Co., graLite,	58 00	
Leary, McAuliff & Co., granite,	44 80	
Kidder Brothers, pump and labor,	15 00	
	<hr/>	2,275 18
Expenditures in 1895,		5,912 73
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Total Expenditures,		\$12,654 76
Expended above Receipts.	\$322 20	

SAMUEL H. PIERCE, } *State Highway*  
 JOHN F. FARRAR, } *Committee.*  
 L. E. BROOKS, }

## Report of the Committee on Public Improvements.

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The Committee on Public Improvements appointed, at the last annual town meeting present the following report.

In their last report, (Town Book 1895-6, page 45) your committee called particular attention to the ravages of the caterpillar and canker-worm, to which, as is well known, Lincoln is subject. The town was informed that the committee has procured a quantity of material used in the prevention of this insect pest, and placed it for distribution at actual cost at certain central points; and, moreover, that they had offered to contribute assistance and instruction to those not skilled in the use of this material. A considerable amount of the material thus referred to was called for, and, more or less effectively used, but your committee regret to say that little progress has yet been made towards the extermination of the evil. This is due to the imperfect and partial use of the remedies, and the lack of steady co-operation among those who either actually suffer from the canker-worm or are threatened by it. The only way to deal effectively with an insect, as with any other form of pest, is to go at it systematically and persistently; and to do this, in the case of the canker-worm, it is necessary to employ, during the season of the year when the insect lays its eggs, some experienced person, at the expense of the town, who shall visit the infected neighborhoods, and either directly himself apply the necessary remedies, or give instructions as to how they should be applied, and supervise the work. It may be questioned whether the town is now ready to assume the expense involved in so doing, though it is plain to every observer that the money loss now caused by the ravages of the canker-worm far exceeds the cost of its extermination, if properly managed.



At the last annual meeting of the town, the sum of \$150 was appropriated and put at the disposal of this committee. A portion of this sum has been used in purchasing shade trees and setting them out along that part of the road between Lincoln and the Fitchburg railroad station, recently constructed. Selected trees have been set out on each side of the road in question, at intervals of 50 feet from each other. The trees, fifty-three in number, are of the following kinds :—rock-maple, Norway maple and silver-leaf maple, in equal numbers and alternating, fifty trees and three weeping willows in the low grounds at the southerly end of the new road. The cost of these trees was sixty cents each, at the Bedford nursery.

A certain amount of wire fence must now be placed along the exterior lines of the roadway, taken by the town, in order to protect a portion of these trees from cattle. The committee would recommend an appropriation for this purpose.

Your committee have to call the attention of the town to measures needed for the protection of the shade and ornamental trees on its public ways. During the past year, and shortly after the last annual town meeting, twenty-three (23) of these trees, mostly chestnuts, varying from ten (10) inches to thirty (30) inches in diameter, were cut down in the immediate vicinity of Sandy Pond, on the road from Lincoln to Concord. All of these stood on the margin of the travelled way, and between it and the walls and fences, which indicated the limit of the public easement. Many of these trees were of the finest and most ornamental character, and had stood prescriptively on the borders of the highway, rendering it, to travellers, one of the most attractive within the limits of Lincoln, or, indeed, in the vicinity of Boston. They appear to have been cut down by the owner of the abutting land, in anticipation of some measure being taken by the town in its corporate capacity to protect and preserve them and other shade trees similarly placed. In the judgment of your committee, this act was done in

utter disregard of the rights, as well as the feelings, of the dwellers in Lincoln. For this generation the loss is irreparable. Your committee have examined into the law on the subject and have reached the conclusion that, in cutting down the trees in question, the owner of the abutting land exceeded his legal rights and made himself liable for the penalty provided in Section 7 of Chapter 54, of the Public Statutes. Your committee, being merely a general Committee on Public Improvements, has not felt authorized to proceed in the matter; nor, they regret to say, would proceeding in it, or even collecting the fine, as the result of legal proceedings, restore the trees that have been felled. They are gone, and the consequent disfigurement is no less final than deplorable; but, in calling the attention of the town to the proceeding, the committee have to recommend that immediate steps be taken to prevent a repetition of it in any other possible quarter. As a community, we have surely arrived at that stage of development when it is generally understood, as well as desired, that shade and ornamental trees, standing by our road-sides, are to be strictly preserved, and holders of abutting land understand the limitation of their rights. They are no more justified in wantonly cutting such trees down than they would be in cutting down trees which grow upon the land of another.

Your committee herewith print, as part of the present report, an abstract, which has been furnished them by E. Irving Smith, of all existing statutes bearing upon this subject. It is proper that residents and land-owners should know exactly what those laws are, and the penalties provided in case of their infringement. Your committee would then recommend that, at the annual meeting, the town, by vote, accept the provisions of Chapter 78 of the Acts of 1893.

Your committee further recommend that a tree warden be elected by the town under the provisions of Chapter 190 of the Acts of 1896, who will have full care and control of all public shade trees, within the town. He, and not your committee, will have charge of the expenditure of whatever

funds may be appropriated for setting out trees, and upon him will devolve the responsibility of removing any trees which may have died, or which cause inconvenience to travellers. He, too, under the limitations prescribed by the town and the consequent direction of the selectmen, will take charge of such work as may hereafter be undertaken looking to the systematic extermination of insect pests, within the limits of Lincoln, and to the removal from the highways of all trees and shrubs upon which such pests naturally breed.

Your committee would recommend the passage of the following votes at the coming annual town meeting :

*Voted*, That the town accept the provisions of Chapter 78 of the Acts of 1893.

*Voted*, That the town elect a tree warden under the provisions of Chapter 190 of the Acts of 1896, to possess the authority and perform the duties therein prescribed.

*Voted*, That the sum of            be and hereby is appropriated to be expended under direction of the selectmen in payment for the service of the tree warden, and by said tree warden in the erection of additional fencing for the protection of shade and ornamental trees, for the setting out of such trees, and for other purposes set forth in the report of the Committee on Public Improvements for the last year.

CHARLES FRANCIS ADAMS, }  
SAMUEL H. PIERCE,        } *Committee.*

## The Law Relating to Trees Standing in Public Ways.

### OWNERSHIP.

The general rule is, that whoever owns the land owns the trees which stand upon it. In all cases, therefore, where a city or town owns the fee of the land in a public street, the trees standing thereon are the property of the municipality;<sup>1</sup> but generally the public has only an easement in the streets for purposes of travel, and the title to the land is held by the private owners of the adjoining estates. In all such cases, and they constitute the great majority, the trees standing in public ways belong to private persons.

Of course, all general rules have qualifications and there are cases in which a city or town may have an interest in trees which stand in the streets upon land the fee of which is held by private persons; and, on the other hand, a private person may acquire an ownership in trees which stand upon land the fee of which is held by the city or town, or by other private owners provided there is no interference with private rights.

A city or town may acquire a qualified property, in the nature of an easement, in private shade or ornamental trees under the provisions of section 10 of chapter 54 of the Public Statutes, which prohibits under a penalty a private owner from cutting down an ornamental or a shade tree standing in a public way without first giving notice of his intention to do so to the selectmen, or road commissioners, or mayor. If the town or city authorities desire to retain the tree, they must give notice of such desire to the owner within ten days thereafter; and in such case the owner is to be awarded damages occasioned by retaining the tree. These provisions of law appear to enable the city or town to acquire a right to have an ornamental or a shade tree belonging to a private person, but standing in the street, remain where it is as long as it lives; but if the tree dies, or is blown down, or ceases in any other way to exist as an ornamental or a shade tree, its wood and timber undoubtedly belong to the private owner of the land.

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<sup>1</sup> McCarthy v. Boston, 135 Mass. 197. 200.



The cases where a private person may acquire an ownership in trees standing upon land which belongs to the city or town or upon land belonging to other private persons, arise under the provisions of section 6 of chapter 54 of the Public Statutes, which make trees, planted by private persons, in pursuance of a license granted by the mayor and alderman, selectmen, road commissioners, or other municipal officers having the charge of the streets, the absolute property of the persons so planting them.<sup>1</sup> The granting of a license may be inferred from any acts of the city or town which tend to show an actual license, or authority to plant the trees.<sup>2</sup>

### *COMMON LAW REMEDIES FOR INJURIES TO TREES.*

For an injury to a tree, the owner, whether a municipality or a private individual, may maintain an action of trespass in the ordinary way. If a tree belongs to a private person, the fact that it stands in a public street does not entitle other persons to injure it unless it interferes with public travel, or its removal is required in the course of repairing the street, in which cases it may be trimmed, or wholly removed, by the proper officers.<sup>3</sup> But aside from all such trimming and removal of trees made by the proper authority for the purposes just mentioned, the owner of any tree, whether shade, ornamental, or of some other kind, may recover damages for any injury done to it; and when a city or town owns a tree it has the same right to recover for injuries done to it.

The special statutes which have been mentioned relate to the public acquiring an interest in private trees, or to private persons acquiring an ownership in trees which stand on public land, or the land of other persons; but such statutes do not of themselves change any of the common law rights incident to the ownership after it has once been acquired and determined. The common law remedies, however, for injuries done to trees standing in the streets have not been regarded by the legislature as furnishing a sufficient protection against such injuries.

For this reason a mass of statutes has been passed which do not take away any of the common law rights incident to the ownership of trees, so far as injuries to them by unauthorized persons are

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<sup>1</sup> Gaylord v. King, 142 Mass. 495, 505.

<sup>2</sup> Bliss v. Ball, 99 Mass. 597; Gaylord v. King, 142 Mass. 495.

<sup>3</sup> McCarthy v. Boston, 135 Mass. 197; Makepeace v. Worden, 1 N. H. 16; Tucker v. Eldred, 6 R. I., 404.



concerned, but which are intended to impose more severe and more adequate penalties for injuries committed by such persons, and also to place some limitation upon the rights of owners of trees standing in the streets, whether such owners be private persons or a municipality. There is also considerable general legislation calculated to promote the setting out and the care of trees in public streets. We may, therefore, classify the statutes of this state as follows: (1) statutes relating to special actions and penalties for injuries committed by person not the owners of the trees; (2) statutes imposing limitations upon the rights of private owners; (3) statutes imposing limitations upon public rights in public trees; and (4) statutes for promoting the setting out and the care of trees in the streets.

### *SPECIAL ACTIONS AND PENALTIES FOR INJURIES COMMITTED BY PERSONS NOT THE OWNERS OF THE TREES.*

Whoever wantonly injures, defaces, tears or destroys an ornamental or shade tree, shrub, or other plant, or fixture of ornament or utility in a street, road, square, court, park, public garden or other enclosure, shall forfeit not less than five, nor more than one hundred dollars, one-half to go to the complainant and the other half to the person upon whose property, or within whose premises the trespass was committed.<sup>1</sup>

The foregoing statute does not apply to acts done by the owners of trees, whether municipalities or private persons.

If anyone negligently permits a horse or other beast to break down, destroy, or injure a tree, not his own, standing for use or ornament in the highway, or by any other means negligently or wilfully breaks down, defaces or injures any such trees, he shall be subject to an action for damages at the suit of the owner or tenant of the land in front of which the tree stands.<sup>2</sup>

The peculiarity of the last mentioned statute is that it allows any person in front of whose premises a tree stands, whether he owns the tree or not, to recover damages.

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<sup>1</sup> Public Statutes, chapter 54, section 7.

<sup>2</sup> Public Statutes, chapter 54, section 8.

## LIMITATIONS UPON THE RIGHTS OF PRIVATE OWNERS.

A private owner of an ornamental or a shade tree which stands in the highway, has no right to cut it down or to remove it without first giving notice of his intention to do so to one of the selectmen, or to the road commissioners, or to the mayor and aldermen.<sup>1</sup> As has been mentioned before, if the authorities desire to retain the tree they must give notice of such desire within ten days thereafter. After such notice is given the owner has no right to cut down the tree, but he is allowed damages for the injury which may result to him for not being allowed to do so.

If anyone cuts down or injures an ornamental or a shade tree without giving notice of his intention to do so, or cuts it down or injures it after the city or town has signified its intention to retain it, he is liable to a fine of not less than five nor more than one hundred dollars, which shall accrue to the city or town.<sup>2</sup>

A special word should be said about "shade or ornamental trees." The statute which granted to private persons the ownership of trees planted by them in the public streets, under a license from the proper municipal officers, was passed in 1856. Trees which have been so planted and are now standing are deemed in law to be "shade trees" and are not to be deemed a nuisance; again, the General Statutes of 1860 extended the same protection to all shade trees *then standing* in the public streets; that is, they should not be regarded as a nuisance, but could only be removed after certain formalities had been complied with. The statute of 1860, however, does not give a private person any rights in shade trees which are not standing on his own property, but merely protects such trees when they are standing in the street upon land of which he holds the fee; therefore, shade trees which have been planted since 1856, under a license, and also shade trees which were standing in 1860, are known to the law, technically, as "shade trees," and were the only "shade trees" known to the law until some comparatively recent statutes.

In 1890 an act was passed, which has been amended somewhat since, that authorized the municipal authorities to bring into the

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<sup>1</sup> Public Statutes, chapter 54, section 10.

<sup>2</sup> Public Statutes, chapter 54, section 11.

category of "shade trees" such trees as were properly marked by spikes.<sup>1</sup>

This recent legislation authorizes the mayor and aldermen of cities and the selectmen of towns to designate and preserve trees within the limits of the highways, for the purposes of ornament and shade, by driving into them at a point not less than four nor more than six feet from the ground, and on the side toward the centre of the highway, a nail or spike with a head with the letter "M" plainly impressed upon it; and to designate not less than one such tree in every thirty-three feet where such trees are growing and are of a diameter of one inch or more. Whoever wantonly injures, defaces, or destroys any tree thus designated, or any of the nails or spikes affixed to the trees, forfeits not less than five nor more than one hundred dollars, one-half of which goes to the complainant and the other half to the town.

The ownership of a tree is not changed by marking it with a spike. It simply becomes a "shade tree" with all that that implies. It follows, therefore, that the owner has no right to cut down a shade tree which has been thus designated, except under the provisions of section 10 of chapter 54 of the Public Statutes, which has been before cited.

It is not necessary to mark with a spike any ornamental or shade tree which is protected by the statutes of 1856, or by the General Statutes of 1860.<sup>2</sup>

The result of all the foregoing provisions of law limiting the rights of an owner of a shade tree standing in a public street is simply this: that however the trees may be brought into the category of "shade trees," whether by the statutes of 1856, 1860 or 1890, he has no right to cut down such tree, or to injure it, without giving previous notice of his intention to do so to the proper authorities; and if the city or town expresses its desire to retain such tree, then he shall not cut it down, but is to be awarded damages for whatever injury he may suffer thereby.

There is another important qualification of the absolute right of a private owner over a tree standing in the public street. This limitation applies not only to shade trees, but to all trees and bushes which may belong to him, but which stand in the street.

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<sup>1</sup> Acts of 1890, chapter 196; Acts of 1891, chapter 49; Acts of 1892, chapter 147.

<sup>2</sup> Acts of 1890, chapter 196, section 4.

The streets are designed for travel, and trees may be trimmed or removed for the purpose of accommodating travel, or for the purpose of repairing the street. The owner is entitled to no damages by reason of such trimming or removal, because these acts are only an incident to the original purpose for which the street was laid out over his property, for which laying out, with its incidental damage, he is supposed to have been fully compensated at the time. Therefore, generally speaking, the municipal authorities have a right to trim, lop off, and remove trees standing in the streets belonging to private persons whenever they have become a public nuisance, or in the course of the repair of the public highways. But even this public right is carefully limited by law, and the statutes have become more and more strict in their requirements relating to the manner in which, and the persons by whom, trees, and even bushes, standing in the public streets may be trimmed or removed in the course of the care of the highways.

A shade tree which has been planted since 1856, under a license, or which was standing in 1860, can only be removed whenever the selectmen, road commissioners or mayor and aldermen shall adjudicate that it is for the public necessity to do so, in which case it shall be removed at the expense of the owner.<sup>1</sup>

As the law now stands, no one but the tree officer of a city or town is allowed to trim or to remove any tree or shrub, standing in the public streets. In cities there is frequently an officer whose special duty it is to take care of trees, but in towns such has not always been the case; but the statutes contemplate that even in towns the authorities having charge of the streets shall designate some person who shall have charge of the trees; and by a statute passed in 1896, towns are authorized to choose a tree warden, who, when elected, will have the control and care of the trees.<sup>2</sup>

No officer except the officer appointed to have the care of the trees in a city or town is allowed to trim or lop off any trees or shrubs, whether they belong to private owners or not, standing in the public highway. He and his assistants, however, may perform such trimming as he may deem necessary and he is always

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<sup>1</sup> Public Statutes, chapter 54, section 6.

<sup>2</sup> Acts of 1896, chapter 190, section 1.



compelled to obey the orders of the highway surveyors, or road commissioners, in this respect.<sup>1</sup>

There is some doubt as to the right of the tree officer to trim or lop off shade trees belonging to a private person without the consent of the owner; and it is not safe for him to do so without a previous adjudication by the selectmen or road commissioners, under section 6, of chapter 54 of the Public Statutes.<sup>2</sup>

What has been said relates to *trimming* trees and shrubs standing in the highway. No municipal officer can *remove* any tree whatever in the public highway unless the mayor and aldermen, selectmen or road commissioners have so voted after a public notice and hearing; and the tree officer with his assistants are the only persons who can execute the order.<sup>3</sup>

The foregoing provisions in regard to the trimming and removal of trees and shrubs by the municipal authorities have nothing to do with the right of a private owner to trim or cut down his own trees. His rights in this matter have been before considered.

### *LIMITATIONS UPON PUBLIC RIGHTS OVER PUBLIC TREES.*

A city or town is restricted in its exercise of control over the public trees belonging to it. No person but the tree officer has authority to trim or lop off trees and shrubs; and even he is not allowed to cut down or remove any trees whatever without a public notice and hearing and an order to do so from the mayor and aldermen, selectmen or road commissioners.<sup>4</sup>

In towns where a tree warden has been elected under the act of 1896, the care and control of all public shade trees is entrusted to him. He may order the removal of such shade trees, or parts thereof, as he may determine to be for the best interests of the public, after hearing the parties interested; but he shall not cut down, remove, or injure any live public shade tree until he has given public notice of his intention to do so by posting a notice on the

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<sup>1</sup> Acts of 1885, chapter 123, section 2.

<sup>2</sup> *White v. Godfrey*, 97 Mass. 472.

<sup>3</sup> Acts of 1885, chapter 123, section 2; *Chase v. Lowell*, 149 Mass. 85; *Chase v. Lowell*, 151 Mass. 422.

<sup>4</sup> Acts of 1885, chapter 123, section 2.



tree and in at least seven public places in the town. Such notices shall also appoint a suitable time and place for hearing the parties interested. At the time and place appointed the tree warden shall attend and hear all persons appearing relative to the matter, and shall then determine as to the necessity and expediency of such removal, and his decision shall be final.<sup>1</sup>

The hearing and adjudication of the tree warden in the manner above mentioned in the case of the removal of public shade trees does away with the necessity of any hearing, or adjudication, by the selectmen or road commissioners; but in the case of trees other than public shade trees, a vote of the selectmen or road commissioners, after a public hearing, is necessary.

### *GENERAL LEGISLATION TO PROMOTE THE SETTING OUT AND THE CARE OF TREES.*

By chapter 190 of the Acts of 1896, a town is permitted at its annual election of town officers to choose a tree warden to serve for one year, who shall have the full care and control of all the public shade trees in the town. He has charge of the expenditure of all public funds appropriated or granted for setting out public shade trees. He also has the power to enter and prosecute all complaints for malicious injury to, or unlawful acts concerning public shade trees.

Authority is granted to cities and towns to vote a sum of money not exceeding fifty cents for each of its ratable polls of the preceding year, to be expended in planting, or in encouraging the planting, by the owners of adjoining real estate, of shade trees upon the public squares or highways; and may plant such trees subject to the provisions of section 6 of chapter 54 of the Public Statutes.<sup>2</sup>

Money may be appropriated to exterminate insect pests by cities and towns which have accepted the provisions of chapter 78 of the Acts of 1893. Not only may trees be protected against insect pests, but they are also protected by a penal statute against

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<sup>1</sup> Acts of 1896, chapter 190, sections 2 and 3.

<sup>2</sup> Acts of 1885, chapter 123, section 1.

those persons who would make them unsightly objects. Whoever affixes to any tree in a highway, public way, or square, a play-bill, poster, notice, advertisement, or printed matter of any description, or cuts, paints, or marks on said tree, except for the purpose of protecting such tree, without first obtaining a written permit from the officer having charge of such tree in a city, or from the selectmen of a town, may be fined not less than five nor more than fifty dollars for each offence.<sup>1</sup>

For the general promotion of tree planting the governor is requested to set apart the last Saturday in April in each year as Arbor Day.<sup>2</sup>

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<sup>1</sup> Acts of 1893, chapter 403.

<sup>2</sup> Resolves of 1886, chapter 32.

## Report of the Board of Health.

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The Board of Health, respectfully presents to the Town of Lincoln, its second annual report.

At the last annual town meeting, the membership of the Board was continued without change, and the organization of the previous year has remained unchanged.

The Board has held nine regular meetings, for consultation, besides many casual and practical meetings of its members, upon the several premises, to which their attention has been called.

On the 27th of May, notice of a public hearing was posted, calling upon all, or any of our citizens, to present to the Board, all causes of which there might be reason to complain, to this Board.

But one complaint was presented, that was, that kine were still permitted to go to and into the water of Sandy-Pond, from which many of our citizens are supplied with water for domestic use. From our experience of last year, of the uncertainty of law, in court, with abundant evidence and admitted proof, the Board felt warranted in requiring reliable legal witnesses, that could be depended upon in court, to prove the alleged facts; stating to the complainant, that upon such evidence, this Board would proceed against the offender. No such evidence having been furnished, late in the season, the Board sought to procure such evidence, but failed; not, as we believe, because the allegation is not true, but, because of unwillingness, to defend the public

right, against private aggression. Our position is necessarily, that of the court; unproven allegations weigh nothing. It is not our purpose, in any instance, to issue mandates that we may not enforce. We have neither reverence nor respect for "Judge Dogberry". On the 28th of May, notice was received by the Board, of a case of diphtheria, in a house near the railway station owned by one Conant of Concord. Upon examination of the premises, we found an overflowing cess-pool, and ordered it to be immediately emptied and cleansed; which order was promptly obeyed.

On the 11th of December, at the suggestion of one of the inspectors of the Cambridge Water Board, two members of this Board, visited the farm of Mr. John Taylor, situated in the north part of Lincoln, and learned that it had been used, for the last seventeen years, as a swine-farm, where large herds had been kept, with the liberty of going into the water of "Hobbs's Brook." The present herd, numbering about seventy, are allowed the same liberty. Other manifest improprieties were discovered, in view of the fact, that the water running through this farm, flows immediately into the Cambridge Basin. Not conceiving it to be our duty to correct these faults, we immediately notified the President of the Cambridge Water-Board, of the condition found, suggesting, that the case was one for the State Board of Health to deal with, as it concerned the city of Cambridge and not the Town of Lincoln. On the 31st of December another visit was made, by two members of our Board, to Mr. Taylor's farm; nothing had been done, in the way of removal of the evils pointed out twenty days before.

Within the year, the attention of the Board has been called to nine cases of typhoid fever, and one of diphtheria, Two of the cases of typhoid-fever, were removed to the Waltham Hospital, one of which resulted fatally, and one of the remaining seven died. In two instances, the Board has found it necessary, to order, that swine, kept offensively near the public highway, should be removed. Compliance with the orders was prompt.

This Board is charged with the duty of forbidding the continuance of a public nuisance, but are met by the assertion, that the word "nuisance" has never been defined by the court, therefore, the law is weak, and fails to command respect. In conclusion, the Board most urgently advises more clear and definite legislation, concerning the duties of the State and Local Boards of Health.

MOSES W. KIDDER, M. D., *Chairman*.  
SAMUEL H. PIERCE,  
JOS. S. HART,



## The Water Commissioners' Report.

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The Water Commissioners respectfully submit to the Town their annual report, for the year ending December 31, 1896.

### EXTENSIONS.

Applications being made by Charles H. Rice and Gardner Sherman for water, and they having complied with the usual guarantee, of four per cent. on cost of construction, the commissioners laid a two-inch pipe, fifteen hundred feet, and paid for the same out of receipts of the water works. The work being done by J. F. Farrar at a cost of four hundred dollars.

Application also being made by Edward F. Flint for water, he having complied with the guarantee, at a meeting called in July, the town voted to authorize the commissioners to lay about eighteen hundred feet of four-inch pipe, cost eight hundred and seventy-seven dollars.

J. F. Farrar had the contract for the work at twenty cents per foot, digging, laying pipe and filling the trench.

There has been an addition of twenty-four faucets.

We have been exceedingly fortunate in having but two leaks in the main pipe during the year.

We would like to add our testimony to the durability and strength of the wrought-iron, cement-lined pipe, when well laid. In this case, it has proved to be one of the best pipes for conducting water for family purposes now in use.

J. T. Laird, satisfactorily holds the position as engineer and when time would permit, has made most of the repairs on the pipes and pumps.

Perhaps it would be well at this time to take a brief glance at the condition of the plant for the last twenty years.

In the beginning we had two small pumps and a boiler, with about two and a half miles of cement-lined pipe.

For the first ten years we pumped, on an average, two hundred thousand gallons per week, or about two days per week, the receipts barely covering the expenses, to say nothing of the repairs and time it took to look after the business.

At the end of the second ten years, we had a main pipe line of about eleven miles, which delivered fifty-two millions, three hundred thousand gallons in a year.

The capacity of the pumps is only one hundred thirty thousand gallons, per day of ten hours.

It will be seen that we are running the pump forty-two thousand gallons per day more than they are warranted to do. And while we are forcing the pumps to their utmost capacity, the consumption so nearly equals the supply, that it is difficult to obtain any reserve in the reservoir.

It may be noticed in previous reports that mention was made of the worn-out condition of the pumps, and it was only a question of a very short time when they would cease to be of any practical value.

The time has arrived when it is not safe or economical to run them longer. The extra amount of coal consumed, and constant repairing, are very expensive. We have already taken a part of one pump with which to repair the other. They have answered well their time and purpose.

These works are the most valuable property the town owns today, and in order to retain their value and increase their usefulness, they should be liberally maintained.

The increasing consumption of water, requires a larger and more complete outfit than we now have.

We have given this subject much thought and consideration, and have arrived at the conclusion to ask the town for an appropriation. Therefore, we have formulated a plan, which, if carried out, will, we believe be a benefit and credit to the town.

In the first place, we require a larger pump with modern improvements, a boiler, a new suction pipe in the pond, a 12 inch force main pipe from the pumping station to the reservoir, a distance of about six thousand feet. This will be used as a receiving pipe, so that all the water pumped will be carried directly to the reservoir before being drawn by the consumers.

The present pipe will then be used only as a distributing pipe, and consequently, relieved from increased pressure.

We also recommend the building of a new engine house, the present one not being large enough to hold a modern pump and boiler, and other conveniences that are necessary.

With honest conviction and complete confidence we come before the town, and recommend an appropriation of ten thousand dollars, for the purposes named.

The water works will be enabled to pay the interest on this amount, and also pay five hundred dollars yearly towards the payment of the principal.

Below will be found a detailed statement of receipts and expenditures.

LEONARD W. WESTON,	} <i>Water</i> <i>Commissioners.</i>
GEORGE L. CHAPIN,	
JOHN F. FARRAR,	
SAMUEL HARTWELL,	
CHARLES S. WHEELER,	

## Received on account of Lincoln Water Works :

Balance on hand Feb. 1, 1896, . . . . .	\$287 37
Water rates from 1875, . . . . .	180 19
Received from stock sold and labor performed by engineer, . . . . .	82 09
Fitchburg R. R. Co., rebate, . . . . .	2 00
John F. Farrar, pig lead, . . . . .	42 36
Town of Lincoln, water pipe, . . . . .	55 55
Town of Lincoln, hydrants, . . . . .	195 00
Fitchburg R. R. Co., water, . . . . .	1,746 30
Water rates, . . . . .	1,987 60
Interest, . . . . .	60
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	\$4,579 17

NOTE:—Of the \$350.00 reported as uncollected last year \$137.46 was due from Fitchburg R. R. Co. and is included in the amount received from that company. The balance remains uncollected.

## Paid on account of Lincoln Water Works :

Waldo Bros., fire brick, . . . . .	\$5 25
Wm. H. Gallison, packing, . . . . .	2 36
John R. Hartwell, filling trench near C. H. Trask, Jr., . . . . .	2 00
John R. Hartwell, teaming, . . . . .	3 50
John McDonald, teaming boiler flues, . . . . .	3 00
Mrs. Edward Bannon, board of surveyors, . . . . .	15 00
E. A. W. Hammatt, surveying around Sandy Pond and plan of the same, . . . . .	179 00
John F. Farrar, 6 cords wood in 1875, . . . . .	30 00
“ “ “ service as Water Commis- sioner, 1895, . . . . .	10 00
John F. Farrar, labor, man and horse, . . . . .	15 00
“ “ “ digging and filling 1,508 ft. trench, . . . . .	188 50
John F. Farrar, drawing pipe . . . . .	3 50
“ “ “ 2 days laying pipe, . . . . .	4 00
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*Amount carried forward, . . . . .* \$461 11

<i>Amount brought forward,</i> . . . . .		\$461 11
Edward Kendall & Sons, boiler plates . . . . .	12 38	
“ “ “ boiler tubes, labor, testing boiler, etc., . . . . .	30 18	
Waltham Coal Co., 5,000 lbs. coal dust, . . . . .	6 25	
“ “ “ 356,600 lbs. Pocahontas coal, . . . . .	604 99	
Fitchburg R. R. Co., freight and express, . . . . .	181 86	
James T. Laird, labor, . . . . .	783 98	
“ “ “ cash paid M. L. Hatch, . . . . .	1 00	
J. A. Burgess, . . . . .	6 10	
Priest, Page & Co., scales, . . . . .	45 00	
Smith & Ludden recording taking of land, . . . . .	5 40	
Old Colony Paint Co., oil, . . . . .	7 43	
Braman, Dow & Co., pipe, fittings, etc., . . . . .	37 96	
Walworth Mfg. Co., pipe, fittings, valves, etc., . . . . .	441 33	
A. W. Chesterton & Co., drills, etc., . . . . .	8 53	
Henry R. Worthington, feed pump and receiver, . . . . .	116 13	
Henry R. Worthington, valves and springs, . . . . .	9 35	
F. A. Snow, balance due on contract for pipe laid to C. H. Trask Jr.'s, 1895, . . . . .	6 78	
W. D. Hoffman & Co., steam blower, . . . . .	30 00	
Charles Lunt, labor, . . . . .	11 00	
Zenas G. Smith, teaming, . . . . .	145 54	
Continental Grate Co., grate, . . . . .	67 50	
Eagle Oil & Supply Co., oil, . . . . .	46 15	
Lock Regulator Co., damper regulator, separator, steam trap, and balance valve, . . . . .	159 00	
Town of Lincoln, interest on bonds, . . . . .	760 00	
Joseph Underwood, clearing up stones, . . . . .	8 00	
Geo. M. Camp, labor, . . . . .	3 00	
Crosby Steam Gage and Valve Co., repairing clock, . . . . .	1 50	
The Buttrick Lumber Co., lumber, . . . . .	3 33	
Chas. S. Wheeler, services, . . . . .	14 30	3,553 97
<i>Amount carried forward,</i> . . . . .		\$4,015 08



<i>Amount brought forward,</i>	.	.	.	\$4,015 08
N. F. Cousins, posts,	.	.	.	7 05
Chas. H. Rice, wood,	.	.	.	22 50
Michael J. Stanley, labor,	.	.	.	1 75
James L. Chapin & Son, sundries,	.	.	.	16 87
Geo. L. Chapin, services as Water Commissioner,	.	.	.	50 00
Patrick McWalter, lime, cement, mortar, etc.,	.	.	.	13 55
Patrick McWalter, brick,	.	.	.	11 80
“ “ R. R. iron, damper,				
freight and express,	.	.	.	5 45
Patrick McWalter, fire brick and fire clay,	.			7 30
“ “ labor,	.	.	.	83 74
L. W. Weston, express,	.	.	.	4 84
“ “ cash pd. for digging trench,				10 00
“ “ cash pd. for repairing pipe,				5 00
“ “ cash pd. for egg coal,				12 60
“ “ labor of men, horses, etc.,				90 70
“ “ cash paid expenses to Wal-				
tham and Hyde Park,	.			2 00
				345 15
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				\$4,360 23
Balance on hand Feb. 1, 1897,	.	.		218 94
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				\$4,579 17

GEO. L. CHAPIN, *Treasurer.*

Having examined the accounts of the Treasurer of the Water Commissioners, I find the report correct.

W. L. G. PEIRCE, *Auditor.*

## Report of the Cemetery Commissioners.

The cemeteries of the Town have received more than the usual amount of care and attention during the past year. Besides the work done by your Commissioners, many persons have erected substantial monuments on their lots, which add very materially to the beauty of the lots, and also not a little to the general appearance of the whole. It is therefore a matter of great satisfaction to us that these monuments have been erected. Your Commissioners have expended the past year sixty dollars (\$60) for four headstones to take the place of those that had been broken down. Probably the Town will be reimbursed for a part of this expenditure.

A comprehensive plan of improvement has been begun in the new cemetery, under the auspices of Mr. Cornelius Leafing, which will when complete add greatly to the beauties which nature has given to this spot. We feel that work done along the lines we have laid out will in a few years make this cemetery one of the most beautiful in this vicinity.

In the Selectmen's report will be found a detailed account of our expenditures.

HERBERT E. BARNES,	}	<i>Cemetery Commissioners.</i>
JOHN TASKER,		
JAMES L. CHAPIN,		
CHARLES S. SMITH,		

## Report of the Treasurer of the Cemetery Commission.

Received from sale of lots to Jan. 1, 1896,	.	.	\$190 00
“ “ “ “ Jan. 1, 1897,	.	.	97 00
Dividends on two shares Fitchburg R. R. for 1896,	.		8 00
			<hr/> \$295 00
Investment two shares Fitchburg R. R. pfd. stock,	.		189 50
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Cash on hand Feb. 1, 1897,	.	.	\$105 50

CHARLES S. SMITH, *Treasurer.*

JULIUS E. EVELETH, *Treasurer Commissioners Trust Funds,*

IN ACCOUNT WITH

*The George Russell Legacy to the Lincoln Library.*

1896.	DR.	
Feb. 1.	To cash in Old Colony Trust Co.,	\$139 06
July 15.	“ dividend on 7 shares F. R. R. preferred stock,	14 00
1897.		
Jan. 15.	“ “ “ “ “ “ “ “	14 00
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		\$167 06
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1897.	CR.	
Feb. 1.	By cash in National Bank of the Commonwealth,	\$167 06
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The investment of this Fund is as follows :

Seven shares Fitchburg R. R. Co. preferred stock.

The John Landahl farm ; see Town Report for 1896.

Cash in National Bank of the Commonwealth, as above.

Respectfully submitted,

JULIUS E. EVELETH, *Treasurer.*

LINCOLN, Feb. 1, 1897.

JULIUS E. EVELETH, *Treasurer Commissioners Trust Funds,*

IN ACCOUNT WITH

*The George G. Tarbell Legacy to the Lincoln Library.*

1896.

Dr.

May 15.	To cash received, 6 mos. interest to Feb. 4, 1896,	
	Caroline A. Nye's mortgage note, . . .	\$25 00
July 1.	" " dividend 8 shares B. & L. R. R. Corp., . .	28 00
" 1.	" " " 13 " West End St. Rail'y, pref., . .	26 00
Aug. 13.	" " 6 mos. interest to Aug. 4, 1896, Caroline A. Nye's mortgage note, . . .	25 00

1897.

Jan. 1.	" " dividend 8 shares B. & L. R. R. Corp., . .	28 00
" 1.	" " 13 " West End St. Rail'y, pref., . .	26 00
		<u>\$158 00</u>

1896.

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May 16.	By cash paid S. Hartwell, Treas. Lincoln Library, . .	\$25 00
1897.		
Jan. 30.	" " " " " " " " . .	133 00
		<u>\$158 00</u>

There is due this Fund, unpaid interest on C. H. Stratton's mortgage note for 1896, . . . . . \$90 00

## The Fund is invested as follows :

Eight shares Boston &amp; Lowell R. R. Corp. stock.

Thirteen shares West End St. Railway pref. stock.

Caroline A. Nye's note, Feb. 4, 1890, 5 years. at 5 per cent.

interest, . . . . . \$1,000 00

C. H. Stratton's note, June 15, 1891, 2 years, at 6 per cent.

interest, . . . . . 1,500 00

Respectfully submitted,

JULIUS E. EVELETH, *Treasurer.*

LINCOLN, Feb. 1, 1897.

I have examined the accounts of the Treasurer of the Trust Funds, and find them correct.

W. L. G. PEIRCE, *Auditor.*

JULIUS E. EVELETH, TREASURER, *in account with the* GEO. F. BEMIS  
LECTURE FUND.

1896.

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Jan. 1.	Balance in Boston Safe Deposit & Trust Co.,	\$757 11
Jan., July.	Boston & Lowell R. R. Corp., dividends,	350 00
Jan., Apr., July, Oct.	Boston & Prov. R. R. Corp., dividends,	200 00
" " " "	Old Colony R. R. Co.,	140 00
" " " "	N. Y., N. H. & H. R. R. Co.,	40 00
Apr., July, Oct.	Boston & Albany R. R. Co.,	120 00
Jan., July.	Fitchburg R. R. Co.,	80 00
" " "	West End St. Railway Co.,	132 00
Jan., Apr., July, Oct.	Am. Bell Telephone Co.,	345 00
May 16.	" " " " sale of rights,	1 72
June 1.	In Boston Safe Deposit & Trust Co., interest on deposit,	8 33

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Jan. 1.	John Fisk, lecture,	\$75 00
" 8.	Rev. W. C. Merrill, lecture,	30 00
" 22.	Henry Watterson, " "	175 00
" 15.	Charles R. Cross, lecture and expenses,	64 30
" 29.	Edward S. Morse, lecture,	50 00
Feb. 5.	Old South Quartet, concert,	100 00
" 12.	M. J. Dwyer, lecture and expenses,	105 30
" 19.	Rev. J. K. Smyth, " " Dec. 18, 1895,	35 78
" 19.	Louis C. Elson, lecture,	75 00
Mar. 11.	Wakefield Concert Co., concert,	83 97
" 18.	Rev. Reuben Thomas, lecture,	25 00
" 25.	J. W. Churchill, " "	78 00
Apr. 1.	G. F. Newton, " "	25 00
" 8.	E. G. Porter, " "	30 00
" 18.	E. W. McGlenen, " "	50 00
" 18.	J. H. Thurston, illustrating lecture,	17 60
" 13.	N. E. Piano Co., tuning,	5 90
" 13.	H. A. Sherman, transportation,	20 50
" 13.	F. E. Cousins, " "	3 00
May 13.	F. W. C. Henry, usher,	7 00
" 13.	Geo. Ropes, expenses,	3 00
July 14.	R. H. Blodgett & Co., printing,	6 50
Mar. 9.	" " " " " "	15 00
July 18.	Boston Safe Deposit Trust Co., rent of safe,	10 00
Sept. 23.	Wakefield Concert Co., concert,	79 75
Oct. 14.	Mozart Concert Co., " "	100 00
" 21.	Boy Choir, " "	100 00



Nov.	5.	H. A. Clapp, lecture,	.	.	.	.	.	.	\$ 75 00
"	18.	Selah Merrill, "	.	.	.	.	.	.	40 00
"	18.	Thomas Hall & Son, illustrating lecture,	.	.	.	.	.	.	13 00
Dec.	2.	R. L. Cumnock, lecture,	.	.	.	.	.	.	75 00
"	16.	T. Murai, "	.	.	.	.	.	.	25 00
"	31.	Boston Rivals, concert,	.	.	.	.	.	.	67 00
"	31 & Sept. 25.	N. E. Piano Co., tuning,	.	.	.	.	.	.	5 00
"	30.	Horace Tuttle, team Oct. 21,	.	.	.	.	.	.	10 00
"	30.	J. E. Eveleth, envelopes, tickets, etc.,	.	.	.	.	.	.	17 72
"	31.	Balance on deposit, B. S. D. Trust Co.,	.	.	.	.	.	.	475 84
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The Fund is invested as follows, Jan. 1, 1897 :

50	shares	Boston & Lowell R. R. Corp.
20	"	Boston & Albany R. R. Co.
20	"	Boston & Providence R. R. Corp.
20	"	Old Colony R. R. Co.
20	"	Fitchburg R. R. Co.
5	"	N. Y., N. H. & H. R. R. Co.
33	"	West End Street Rail'y Co. preferred.
23	"	Am. Bell Telephone Co.

Respectfully submitted,

JULIUS E. EVELETH, *Treasurer.*

LINCOLN, Jan. 1, 1897.

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I have examined the accounts of the Treasurer of the Bemis Lecture Fund, and find the report correct.

W. L. G. PEIRCE, *Auditor.*

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## LINCOLN LIBRARY, TREASURER'S REPORT.

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To balance brought forward . . . . .	\$28 13	By cash paid T. Wilber Smith, Janitor . . . . .	\$125 00.
" Town Appropriation (Cash) . . . . .	500 00	" " Hulda A. Howes, Librarian . . . . .	150 00
" " (Dog Tax) . . . . .	249 09	" " L. Jennie Chapin, Assistant Librarian . . . . .	150 00
" Interest on Tarbell Legacy . . . . .	158 00	" " Stella Sherman, services at Library . . . . .	26 00
" " Periodical Fund . . . . .	4 04	" " for books, magazines and papers . . . . .	269 10
" Income on Codman Fund . . . . .	40 00	" " for binding books and magazines . . . . .	26 94
" Cash for Fines . . . . .	26 21	" " for water service . . . . .	10 00
" " Books sold . . . . .	1 25	" " for care of grounds, etc. . . . .	18 80
		" " for furnace . . . . .	94 90
		" " for furnace setting, mason work . . . . .	13 88
		" " for 5000 gum stickers . . . . .	11 25
		" " for coal and wood . . . . .	58 70
		" " for sundries . . . . .	6 90
		" " for postage, stationery and expense . . . . .	10 00
		" " James L. Chapin & Son, oil, etc. . . . .	13 48
		" " for sundries at Library . . . . .	25 25
		" " for new magazine case . . . . .	75 00
		" " for pedestal for Bust of Emerson . . . . .	37 00
Receipts . . . . .	\$1,006 72		
Due Treasurer to balance . . . . .	115 48		
	<u>\$1,122 20</u>		<u>\$1,122 20</u>

SAMUEL HARTWELL, Treasurer.

## REPORT OF THE TRUSTEES OF THE PUBLIC LIBRARY.

LINCOLN, Feb. 1, 1897.

The Trustees of the Public Library submit the report of its Treasurer, and the statistical report of its Librarians; also a list of books purchased during the year.

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## INVESTMENT OF FUNDS.

The Codman Fund of \$1,000 is invested in five shares of Boston and Albany Railroad. The Periodical Fund of \$100 is in the Middlesex Institution for Savings at Concord. For investment of the Tarbell and Russell legacies, we refer to the Treasurer's report of Trust Funds.

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## AUDITOR'S REPORT.

I have examined the accounts of the Treasurer of the Public Library, and find them correct.

W. L. G. PEIRCE, *Auditor*.

## STATISTICS OF LINCOLN PUBLIC LIBRARY.

No. of volumes in Library, Feb. 1, 1896,	5,800
“ “ added past year,	243
“ “ withdrawn,	2
Total delivery of books for home use from Jan 1, 1896,	
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ANNUAL REPORT

OF THE

SCHOOL COMMITTEE

OF THE

TOWN OF LINCOLN,

FOR THE

SCHOOL YEAR 1896-97.



## REPORT OF THE SCHOOL COMMITTEE.

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The School Committee of the Town of Lincoln, in accordance with a statute of the Commonwealth, chap. 46, sec. 8, as well as a time-established custom, respectfully submit the following resumé of the year's work in that department. Appended is also found a report of the Superintendent upon the condition and progress of the public schools of the town for the year 1896.

The membership of the Board has undergone a change by the retirement of a conscientious and effective worker, Dr. Moses W. Kidder, and the election of Julius E. Eveleth.

We are happy to state that our Superintendent, Mr. McKenney, still remains at the head of affairs. Much to the regret of the committee a change became necessary in the management of the High School, in consequence of the resignation of Mr. Ansel S. Richards as teacher, after having been unanimously re-elected by the Board for the subsequent year; a better position being offered him in a distant town. In connection with this change we are reminded of the seeming serviceable nature of this particular institution as a training school, judging from the number of excellent teachers who have retired from this beautiful hillside during the past few years. After examining many candidates for the vacated position, the committee felt themselves fortunate in securing so good a teacher as Mr. Ernest W. Small; his native tact and fitness for the work having been augmented by his former experience of several years as teacher of a much larger High School.



Six pupils were admitted to the High School from the Grammar department at the beginning of the fall term. Five were graduated in June, viz., Miss Stella E. Sherman, Miss Ida M. Browning, Miss Annie G. Dempsey, Mr. Harold S. Cousins, and Mr. Moses Underwood.

By the retirement of Miss Brown and Miss Ellison, vacancies were made in the management of the South School. As this is in a measure a graded school, excellent teachers could be readily found to fill the vacated positions. The present corps consists of Miss Nellie M. Newton as teacher of the Grammar department and Miss Marion H. Morgan of the Primary. The effect of a change is as keenly felt in a school room as in a family, and although difficulties will arise to dampen the courage of the new teacher, the influence of her good example and conscientious efforts in the direction of moral as well as mental improvement cannot remain long unrecognized. We predict a successful issue as a result of the new management.

Through the kindness of the citizens of the town, in granting for a limited time the use of the lower Town Hall for the occupancy of the High School, its removal to an adjoining town became unnecessary. In addition to this admirable result, in consequence of the possible changes in the Grammar department, the Board was able to retain the former teachers, Miss Chapin and Miss Sawin, for another year; the extreme disabilities under which they had formerly labored and which had handicapped them so effectually, being in a measure removed. While the occupation of the hall has been in many cases an inconvenience to the citizens of the town, both the teacher and the pupils have been comfortably situated with good light and excellent ventilation; a most desirable condition of affairs for the propagation of study. The Board would here take occasion to thank the pupils for the excellent care they have taken of the room. While it might be considered an innovation, many beneficial results can here be noted in connection with this new use of the hall, although it was only after all other

means had been exhausted that the committee decided to make this request of the town. So many difficulties had presented themselves as a result of the crowding of the lower school room, that to continue in the old manner seemed impossible; not the least of these difficulties being the inability to retain present teachers or to obtain satisfactory new ones.

The grading of schools is carried to such an extent at present, that the really good teacher has no difficulty in obtaining a satisfactory position in the school of her choice.

The vacating of the upper room by the High School, however, seemed to solve the problem. Instead of the eight grades remaining in the lower room as formerly, the four upper grades were removed to the High-School room, thereby giving each teacher a separate room with four grades for her management. By this means the overcrowding and the confusion of numerous recitations could be avoided and an approximation to a graded school could be made. It was found in addition to the above change that a concentration of the North School, together with two grades from the South School, could be effected with the Center without in the least interfering with the grading or special overcrowding of either room. Thus the committee were able to place the pupils under one roof and management and to close the doors of the smaller schools where no attempt at grading could be made. It seemed at first that there might be a slight saving in the expense of conducting the school on this plan, but the large number of pupils in the Primary department rendered it necessary to furnish an assistant for a few hours each day. Later, in order to make the work more effective, a teacher was employed for the full time. This item, together with the expense of transportation from the North district will bring the cost to about the former figure.

A still further separation of the grades would be desirable which could be accomplished, of course, only by the construction of a new and commodious school building. Until

such a step is taken by the town we see no course other than that at present pursued, viz. : The continuance of the use of the hall for the High School and the management of the Grammar and Primary grades as at present.

The committee are happy to state that the teachers and pupils are enabled to breathe pure air during their hours of study, on account of the improved system of heating and ventilation adopted at the beginning of the fall term; a most desirable condition of affairs and one that is interesting the whole civilized world, where education combined with health are appreciated. Too much cannot be said on this subject. In fact it is today a matter of such importance that the laws of the Commonwealth require a specified number of cubic feet per minute of fresh air to be supplied to each pupil. No school building can be constructed without being subjected to the inspection of the proper State authorities, neither can an old building be remodeled without the sanction of the State, which will require, first of all, perfect ventilation. This is neither a whim nor a false notion but one of the important observances of the laws of health, even more necessary for the child than for the adult. The object of the school room is to furnish a place for judicious and profitable study. The little brain is taxed enough with its constant mental effort without being continually called upon to shake off the narcotic and stupefying effects of impure air. Such is a waste of energy entirely uncalled for and for which we as parents are responsible.

The question of centralization is also interesting the whole army of educators. It admits of so much that is beneficial in the way of competitive study and example, the more brilliant scholar stimulating to increased exertion those whom nature has less favored, but whose ambition to excel may be more than an offset to the genius of the highly endowed companion. The advantages of personal contact, the good example always outweighing in influence the pernicious, and the closer observance of little courtesies one to another, can be counted among the beneficial results.



In addition to the advantages of personal contact and competition comes that of properly classifying and grading the school. That this is a benefit to the individual pupil, there can be no doubt. An increased personal attention on the part of the teacher, a desire on the part of the pupil to continue with his mates and not miss the regular promotion, all have a tendency to keep the dull pupil moving at his best and closely approximating to his more fortunate neighbor.

### THE SOUTH SCHOOL.

It was found necessary not only for the preservation of the building, but also for the restoration of its former respectable appearance, to re-stain it, this time with a serviceable creosote stain. The inside finish was sadly in need of filling and polishing as a matter of future economy; the furnaces were also in bad order, the grates having been completely burned out and the pipes requiring numerous repairs. On the whole it was thought best to renovate the building thoroughly. It is now in as perfect condition as when first constructed and will need no further important repairs for a long time to come.

For further information in regard to general school work and recommendations of still needed improvements, we refer you to the report of the Superintendent.

In conclusion we would heartily urge the co-operation of the parents with the Superintendent and teachers, especially in the matter of regular attendance, promptness in regard to study hours, and a considerate attention to discipline. Much can be done in this way to make the school work profitable to the pupil as well as encouraging to the oftentimes over-worked and conscientious teacher. So much depends in after life upon the judicious use of time spent in school, that a word to the scholars seems not out of place. Although much depends on removing all obstacles to health and com-

fort from the school surroundings, the pupil is still thrown upon his own endeavors; and success in his studies can only be obtained by constant and severe application. We trust that no pupil can treat with indifference the opportunity of his young life. It will never appear in the same form again.

Respectfully submitted,

GEORGE FLINT,	}	<i>Committee.</i>
EDWARD R. FARRAR,		
JULIUS E. EVELETH,		



## Report of the Committee on School-house.

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A special Town Meeting was called on August 5, 1896, at the instigation of the School Committee, as a result of the following conditions which were found to exist in connection with the Grammar School building at the Center. The most important was the overcrowded condition of the Grammar School room. As is well known, this room contained the Grammar and Primary departments comprising in all eight grades and fifty-seven pupils, rendering it impossible to properly conduct the exercises of the school. Furthermore, the ventilation was found to be entirely defective and by no means conforming to the laws of the State in regard to the ventilating of School Buildings. There was also an urgent need of providing some place for the accommodation of the High School, in order to centralize and grade the outlying small districts with the schools at the Center.

The following articles were inserted in the Warrant to be acted upon by the town :

To see if the town would grant the privilege of using the lower Town Hall for the purpose of a High School room, until other suitable provisions were made for same.

Also, to see what further action the town would take in the matter.

The articles were acted upon with the following results :

In answer to the first article above mentioned, the town voted almost unanimously to grant the use of the hall for the purpose.

In response to the call of the second article, a committee was appointed by the town, consisting of Charles F. Adams, James L. Chapin, Julius E. Eveleth, Samuel Hartwell, and John R. Hartwell, to furnish plans and estimates of cost of

a new school building, also to select a suitable site for the erection of same. The Committee were further instructed to furnish estimates of the cost of removal of the present Center School-house to a suitable location and the enlargement and remodeling of the same, and to report at a subsequent meeting of the town.

At a meeting of the committee, Mr. Geo. F. Newton of Lincoln was chosen to furnish the above-mentioned plans and estimates for their consideration. After fully examining the reports of Mr. Newton, inasmuch as the cost of removal and remodeling of the old school-house would closely approximate to the cost of a new building, and further, considering that a satisfactory result could not be obtained thereby, a majority of the committee respectfully submit the following for the consideration of the town :

*Voted*, To recommend the purchase, by the town, of the old, so called, Globe Tavern lot, or as much thereof as is necessary for the erection of a school building with suitable playground for same.

*Voted*, That the town proceed to the erection of a school building of a combined High, Grammar, and Primary school, substantially in accordance with the plans proposed by Mr. Geo. F. Newton, on site referred to in foregoing vote.

*Voted*, That a sum not to exceed eighteen thousand dollars be and is hereby appropriated to carry out the foregoing vote.

*Voted*, That a committee of three be appointed to carry out the foregoing votes, including both purchase of site and construction of building.

JULIUS E. EVELETH, *Secretary*.

## Report of the Superintendent of Schools.

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*To the School Committee of Lincoln:*

GENTLEMEN:—The seventh annual report of the Superintendent of Schools, it being my sixth, is herewith respectfully submitted.

The work of the schools has been conducted mainly along the lines followed in previous years, with probably little variation in results. There have been, however, some improvements in certain subjects.

### MUSIC.

Only the first term of the second year of musical instruction, under a special teacher, has passed, but, as compared with the first term under such instruction, there has been a distinct improvement, not simply that pupils sing better, that, of course, is to be expected. The spirit existing between the instructor and pupils is better; pupils now regard music as much a part of their regular work as any other subject of study; they are not afraid to let their voices be heard even at the risk of making a mistake, which, after all, is no worse in music than in arithmetic or geography. The singing is more willing and hearty, and consequently more progress has been made the past term than during the corresponding term of last year. Pupils are acquiring a knowledge of music in all the schools that gives a good return for the money expended.

The music teacher urges the need of a piano for the High School, and recommends that one be rented for a few months. It would be better economy, of course, to purchase one, and I recommend that this be done.

Attention is directed to the appended report of the music director.

### DRAWING.

Our teachers are now following Mr. Bailey's outline in drawing, instead of the Prang system formerly in use, and are doing rather better work, I believe, under the present plan, although the results are by no means satisfactory.

Were it always possible to secure teachers well qualified to teach drawing, which is not the case, the regular teacher, having in our schools three or four grades in one room, cannot give the requisite time to this subject without other work suffering in consequence. Very good results are not secured in this line of work anywhere without the aid of a special instructor, and if good work cannot be done in drawing in cities where larger salaries than we pay are likely to attract better-trained teachers, and where each teacher has but one class, it certainly cannot be done in Lincoln schools where, as already stated each teacher has three or four classes.

We have special instruction in music, which is proving profitable, why not have it in drawing? The subject is certainly quite as important, and is so recognized, as evinced by the fact that instruction in drawing has been a legal requirement in the public schools of this State for over forty years, while music has never been legally required.

There may be those who consider neither music nor drawing essential or specially important in the child's training regarding, as doubtless some do, the ability to earn a livelihood as the chief object of education. But thoughtful people recognize that the highest object of education is not to teach how to get a living, but how to live. Whether either or both of these be the object, there is no subject better calculated to secure the desired end than drawing. It cultivates both eye and hand and the heart as well. It teaches to see correctly and to execute accurately. It leads to a higher appreciation of beauty everywhere, and in this



way has a highly moral effect. Its value to the child, however, depends largely on the nature of the instruction given as in all subjects of study. This instruction cannot be successfully given without a special teacher, as forty years of perfunctory work and unsatisfactory results abundantly testify.

I recommend, therefore, employing a special teacher in drawing, and trust this recommendation will receive the approval of the committee as I feel sure it will of the community.

#### VERTICAL PENMANSHIP.

Consonant with the suggestion in my last report, vertical penmanship was introduced into all the grades below the High School at the beginning of the fall term. The time this system has been in use is too short to speak very positively of results, but it may be safely said that indications point to better positions of pupils in their seats, and at least, to more legible, if not more beautiful, writing. The system, thus far, seems to be popular with both teachers and pupils.

#### CHANGES IN THE SCHOOLS.

During the first two terms of the year the schools labored under the same disadvantageous conditions as in the past, but changes made at the beginning of the fall term have been beneficial. The removal of the High School to the town building, thus giving up the whole of the Center School building to the lower schools, made it possible to consolidate the North School with those at the Center, and this has certainly proved very advantageous to the children in the north part of the town. This change enabled, also, the transfer of the two upper grades from the South Grammar to the Center Grammar School, leaving three grades in each of the South Schools with an enrolment of thirty-nine pupils in the primary room and thirty-two in the grammar room. There are now, by these changes, four grades in each of the



Center Schools with an enrolment of thirty-eight in the grammar room and fifty-three in the primary room. Owing to the large number in the latter room it has been found necessary to employ an assistant. It would be much better if there could be another room opened with a regular teacher for it. There ought to be now three distinct schools at the Center below the High School as indicated in my last report. We could then have the first two grades in one room and three grades in each of the others, with about thirty pupils in charge of each teacher. This plan will necessitate

#### BUILDING CHANGES.

I suppose the town intends making such changes during the coming summer as the location of High School in the town building was, of course, only a temporary arrangement. Better building accommodations are absolutely essential to the proper arrangement of the schools, and I trust the committee will, at the coming annual town meeting, urge impressively upon the town the necessity of such building operations as will permit the arrangement of the schools in accordance with some such plan as that outlined above. We shall then be able to advance Lincoln's schools to a condition commensurate with the financial ability of the town.

#### OFFICE HOURS FOR SUPERINTENDENT.

There ought to be a definite place and time for the Superintendent to meet teachers and parents who wish to confer with him on matters connected with the schools.

The superintendent cannot talk much with a teacher in the school room without taking both her time and attention from her work; and there are many suggestions and directions to be given to individual teachers that cannot well be made before the school. Teachers also need often to direct the superintendent's attention to matters concerning pupils, that should not be discussed in the pupil's presence. Parents

frequently desire to confer with the superintendent concerning their children, but do not know when he is in town, or where to find him when here.

One day a week of the superintendent's time belongs to Lincoln, and it should be the same day each week, and one hour of that day, say from 3.30 to 4.30 o'clock, ought to be used as an office hour, so that anyone might know when and where to find him, as occasion should require. It would be hardly possible for the superintendent to be in Lincoln one day in *every* week of the school year, for, although visiting the schools under his charge is an important and essential part of the superintendent's work, it is by no means the whole of it. Aside from preparing school reports, making outlines of study, examining text-books, preparing for teacher's meetings etc.,—work that does not necessarily take him to each town in the district, he must visit schools in towns and cities outside of those under his own supervision, and attend teachers' conventions and other educational gatherings, if he is to be progressive, which must occasionally take a day from Lincoln's time. But he would generally be in Lincoln on a given day each week, and accessible to those who might wish to see him.

Office hours have not been possible, as there is no room that can be used for an office. I would suggest that in the building changes soon to be made, a room be provided for this purpose, and to serve, also, for the meetings of the School Committee, where may be kept Town Reports, State Reports, and such other reference books and records as are useful and essential to the School Committee.

#### CHANGES OF TEACHERS.

The changes of teachers during the year have, of necessity, affected the school work to some extent, although in the main the effect has not been detrimental.

All interested in the high school, regretted the resignation of Mr. Richards, who had been its successful principal for

nearly two years. But the committee were so fortunate in the selection of Mr. Small, a graduate of Bates College, to fill the vacancy, that, under his efficient management, the school continues to do good work, and the pupils under Mr. Small's influence, seem to be especially industrious and thoughtful.

In the resignation of Miss Brown, who, by her quiet firmness and patient industry, had proved a successful and efficient teacher in the South Grammar school for three years, the town sustained a serious loss. The present teacher, Miss Newton, is a most estimable lady of culture and refinement, who commands the respect and good will of all. But, with little previous experience in public school work, she finds the school a difficult one to govern, although the two upper grades have been transferred to the Center, making the school less difficult now than in the past. Miss Newton has put her whole heart and strength into her efforts to conduct the school successfully, and she has received the hearty support of the parents, to their credit, be it said, as well as that of the School Board. But the school is not an easy one, and it should not be counted to Miss Newton's discredit if her strength proves unequal to the task she has undertaken. Probably few teachers, with like previous preparation for this kind of work, could have done better, certainly none could have made more earnest efforts.

Miss Ellison's place, in the South Primary, after a year's service, was filled by Miss Morgan, a graduate of the Bridgewater Normal School, and a teacher of wide experience. Miss Morgan has conducted the school thus far very successfully.

Other changes have been the employing of Miss Chapin to assist, for a part of the fall term, in the Center primary, followed by Miss Farrar. Both of these teachers have done good work, considering their short time of service.

## ATTENDANCE.

In considering the subject of attendance, attention is first directed to the following

## STATISTICS.

Number of children enumerated in town between five and fifteen years of age May 1, 1896,	
Number between eight and fourteen May 1, 1896,	
Number of different pupils enrolled in the public schools, . . . . .	199
Number attending within the year under five years of age, . . . . .	1
Number attending within the year over fifteen years of age, . . . . .	43
Number attending within the year between eight and fourteen years of age, . . . . .	113
Average membership of all the schools, . . . . .	150
Average attendance, . . . . .	133
Per cent. of attendance based on average mem- bership, . . . . .	89.44
Number of school-houses occupied, . . . . .	3
Number of school-rooms occupied, . . . . .	6
Number of teachers employed, . . . . .	6

The attendance this year is below that of last year as appears in the appended table. There seems to be no special reason for this, but the fact should cause all interested in the schools to make an earnest effort to produce a change in the opposite direction.

Attending school is the business of children, and they have no right to allow anything to interfere with that business, before the age of fourteen. The importance of prompt and regular attendance, and the evils of frequent absence have been pointed out in previous reports and need not be repeated now.

The attendance of children at school is primarily in the hands of parents, and failure is principally parents' fault.



Teachers may also do much in this matter as shown by the fact that attendance in the same school is often much better under one teacher than under another. Finally school officers may improve the attendance by the enforcement of law, but this should be a last resort, for compulsory is never as good as voluntary service. There are, however, a few cases in town where a strict enforcement of the law in regard to school attendance would probably have a salutary effect.

The recommendations I have made will of course involve some expense, but they are not extravagances, they name important improvements, made in the interest of better schools, and essential to further progress, and are not beyond the means of the town to provide, as shown by the following figures taken from the Report of the State Board of Education for 1894-95.

In the percentage of valuation appropriated to public schools, Lincoln ranks 345th in the 353 towns and cities of Massachusetts, or ninth from the lowest, its percentage being  $1\frac{1}{2}$  mills on a dollar. The highest for any town is  $7\frac{3}{4}$  mills, the average for all towns in the State is  $4\frac{31}{100}$  mills.

Thus it is evident that Lincoln can afford to provide as well for its schools as any town in the Commonwealth.

At the close of another year I take pleasure in acknowledging the courtesy of the Committee, the loyalty of the teachers, and the kind appreciation of the community of whatever efforts have been made in the cause of public education.

LEWIS T. McKENNEY,

*Supt. of Schools.*



## Report of Music in Lincoln Schools.

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MR. L. T. MCKENNEY, *Supt. of Schools:*

*Dear Sir:*—Since September, 1896, when music was made a regular study in the Lincoln schools, I can see a steady progress up to the present time. This is true both in the ability to read music at sight, and in the quality of the children's voices.

The first few years of music in any school must of necessity be the laying of a good foundation upon which to build the work. I feel that this foundation is already well started in Lincoln schools, and the next few years will show much better results than last year.

At present the primary schools are singing from the 1st series of charts. The grammar grades are reading in the new 1st Reader, Part II, and are able to sing exercises and songs in two parts, soprano and alto. The High School is using the 2nd Reader, singing both two and three-part exercises. They are also, in addition to this, studying some songs for the graduation from the Academy song book.

The general spirit of the pupils toward music is good, and much of the diffidence which was shown a year ago has passed away, and in time will become a thing of the past.

In closing this report let me thank you and the committee for your cordial support and encouragement, also the regular teachers who have faithfully carried out the work as I have planned for them.

F. W. ARCHIBALD,  
*Supervisor of Music.*

## SCHOOL CALENDAR FOR 1897.

Winter term opened January 4, closes March 2; 126 weeks.

Spring term opens April 5, closes June 18; 11 weeks.

Fall term opens September 7, closes December 17; 15 weeks.

Recess from Wednesday night before Thanksgiving to following Monday.

Winter term opens Jan. 2, 1898.

## ROLL OF HONOR.

PUPILS NEITHER ABSENT NOR TARDY.

DURING TWO YEARS.

Lossie E. Laird.

DURING TWO TERMS.

Moses F. Underwood, Mary A. Dee,  
Alice H. Welch.

DURING ONE TERM.

HIGH SCHOOL.

Mary A. Dee, Alonzo Calkins,  
\*Annie G. Dempsey, Kate F. McHugh,  
Harold S. Cousins, Alice H. Welch.

CENTER GRAMMAR.

Mildred S. Bellis, Gertrude Dempsey,  
\*Kate Dempsey, Georgia V. Sherman,  
\*Mary Dempsey, George Grosvenor Tarbell.

CENTER PRIMARY.

William Castello, Mary Dougherty,  
Sumner Smith.

SOUTH GRAMMAR.

Bertha W. Bent, Emmons Cook,  
\*Walter H. Thompson.

SOUTH PRIMARY.

Lillie Boyce, James Boyce,  
Murray Farnsworth.

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\* Tardy once.

# TABULAR STATEMENT OF SCHOOL ATTENDANCE.

SCHOOLS.	Terms.	Teachers.	Enrollment.	Average Membership.	Average Attendance.	Per cent. of Attendance.	Times Tardy.	Dismissals.	Visits of Superintendent.	Visits of Committee.	Visits of others.	Teachers' Salaries per month.	Length of School in weeks.
High,	{ Winter, { Spring, { Fall,	Mr. A. S. Richards. Mr. A. S. Richards. Mc. Ernest W. Small.	19 17 21	18.18 16.86 18.35	16.43 15.11 17.12	90.37 89.03 93.16	20 6 4	22 6 28	3 4 6	2 2 2	4 5 6	\$94.74 94.74 84.21	14 10 15
Centre.	{ Winter, { Spring,	{ Miss Carrie B. Chapin. { Miss Har't F. Sawin, Asst. { Miss Carrie B. Chapin.	51 52	42.60 45.28	37.84 39.45	87.98 87.12	38 11	8 16	4 6	1 0	21 4	48.00 48.00	14 10
Centre Gram.,	{ Fall, { Winter, { Spring,	Miss Harriette F. Sawin, Asst. Miss Carrie B. Chapin. Miss Lizzie A. Brown.	37 38 34	35.12 36.06 37.47	31.56 31.03 33.65	89.86 86.05 86.02	12 71 20	13 69 31	8 3 4	1 1 2	7 15 13	48.00 48.00 48.00	15 13 11
S. Grammar,	{ Fall, { Winter, { Spring,	Miss Nellie M. Newton. Miss Amanda C. Ellison. Miss Amanda C. Ellison.	32 38 42	29.64 33.17 34.88	27.59 24.35 31.25	93.09 88.15 89.59	45 32 17	33 45 27	7 3 4	2 2 2	20 9 4	48.00 48.00 48.00	15 13 11
S. Primary,	{ Fall, { Winter, { Spring,	Miss Marian H. Morgan. Miss Dora R. Farrar. Miss Dora R. Farrar.	39 18 19	36.11 16.17 16.13	33.91 14.88 13.76	93.91 92.07 85.31	23 26 54	13 4 13	7 3 4	5 1 0	12 17 17	44.00 40.00 40.00	15 12 12
North,	{ Fall, { Winter,	Miss Harriette M. Sawin. Miss ——— Farrar, Asst't.	53	44.42	39.91	89.84	222	3	9	3	45	44.00	15

## SUMMARY FOR THE YEAR.

High,	21	17.80	16.22	90.85	30	54	13	12	15
Centre, Two terms,	54	43.94	38.05	87.55	49	14	10	1	25
*Centre Grammar, One term,	2	35.12	31.56	80.86	12	13	8	1	7
South Grammar,	37	31.06	27.42	88.39	136	133	14	11	48
South Primary,	20	34.72	29.84	90.88	72	50	14	9	25
North, Two terms,	50	16.15	14.32	88.69	80	17	7	1	34
†Centre Primary, One term,	15	44.42	39.91	89.84	22	3	9	3	45
Total, 1896,	199	150	133	89.44	401	284	75	38	199
" 1895,	196	151	137	91.22					

\* The Centre Grammar School was combined with the Centre School during first two terms of year. This school received but two pupils not enrolled elsewhere in town during the year.

† The North and Centre Primary united during last term of the year. Fifteen pupils of Centre Primary not enrolled elsewhere during the year.



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# TOWN OFFICERS, 1897-98.

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## *Moderator of Town Meetings.*

CHARLES S. WHEELER.

## *Town Clerk.*

JAMES L. CHAPIN.

## *Selectmen.*

SAMUEL HARTWELL,

JOHN F. FARRAR,

WILLIAM S. BRIGGS.

## *Overseers of the Poor.*

JOHN F. FARRAR,

WILLIAM S. BRIGGS,

SAMUEL HARTWELL.

## *Board of Health.*

SAMUEL H. PIERCE,	.	.	.	.	Term Expires 1898
MOSES W. KIDDER,	.	.	.	.	" " 1899
JOSEPH S. HART,	.	.	.	.	" " 1900

## *Assessors.*

CHARLES S. WHEELER,

WILLIAM C. PEIRCE,

WILLIAM H. SHERMAN.

## *Treasurer and Collector of Taxes.*

CHARLES S. WHEELER.

## *Highway Surveyor.*

DANIEL H. SHERMAN.

## *Auditor.*

WILLIAM L. G. PEIRCE.

## *Constables.*

LORENZO E. BROOKS,

EDWARD BANNON,

FRANK M. DEMPSEY,

JOHN F. FARRAR.

## *School Committee.*

EDWARD R. FARRAR,	.	.	.	.	Term Expires 1898
JULIUS E. EVELETH,	.	.	.	.	" " 1899
FRANCIS R. JONES,	.	.	.	.	" " 1900

*Superintendent of Schools.*

L. T. McKENNEY.

*Water Commissioners.*

* LEONARD W. WESTON,	.	.	.	Term Expires 1898
GEORGE L. CHAPIN,	.	.	.	" " 1899
JOHN F. FARRAR,	.	.	.	" " 1900
SAMUEL HARTWELL, Chairman of Selectmen, <i>ex-officio</i> .				
CHARLES S. WHEELER, Town Treasurer, <i>ex-officio</i> .				

*Field Drivers.*

SAMUEL FARRAR, GEORGE L. CHAPIN.

*Fence Viewers.*

SAMUEL FARRAR, GEORGE L. CHAPIN.

*Surveyors of Lumber.*

GEORGE F. HARRINGTON, NATHANIEL F. COUSINS.  
EDWARD R. FARRAR.

*Measurers of Wood and Bark.*

WALTER F. BAKER, THOMAS L. GILES,  
EDWARD R. FARRAR, T. WILBER SMITH.

*Cemetery Committee.*

HERBERT E. BARNES,	.	.	.	Term Expires 1898
JAMES L. CHAPIN,	.	.	.	" " 1899
CHARLES S. SMITH,	.	.	.	" " 1900
JOHN TASKER,	.	.	.	" " 1901
EDWARD F. FLINT,	.	.	.	" " 1902

*Commissioners of Trust Funds.*

OGDEN CODMAN,	.	.	.	Term Expires 1898
JULIUS E. EVELETH,	.	.	.	" " 1899
SAMUEL H. PIERCE,	.	.	.	" " 1900

*Registrars.*

SAMUEL HARTWELL, JOHN F. FARRAR,  
WILLIAM S. BRIGGS, JAMES L. CHAPIN.

\* Deceased.



*Trustees of Lincoln Public Library.*

GEORGE G. TARBELL, M. D., President.

SAMUEL H. PIERCE,

JOHN F. FARRAR,

SAMUEL HARTWELL, Chairman of Selectmen, *ex-officio*.

JULIUS E. EVELETH, Chairman of School Committee, *ex-officio*.

*Trustees of Bemis Fund for Free Public Lectures.*

GEORGE F. NEWTON, . . . . . Term Expires 1898

JULIUS E. EVELETH, . . . . . " " 1899

GEORGE FLINT, . . . . . " " 1900

*Trustees of Grammar School Fund.*

CHARLES S. WHEELER,

HERBERT E. BARNES,

ALBERT A. COOK.

*Public Improvement Committee.*

CHARLES F. ADAMS,

SAMUEL H. PIERCE,

\* LEONARD W. WESTON.

*Committee on Claims.*

CHARLES F. ADAMS,

WILLIAM S. BRIGGS,

CHARLES S. WHEELER.

*Sexton.*

HERBERT E. BARNES.

APPOINTED BY THE SELECTMEN.

*Sealer of Weights and Measures.*

JAMES L. CHAPIN.

*Janitor of Town House.*

GEORGE L. CHAPIN.

*Forest Fire Wardens.*

CLARENCE A. BROOKS,

CHARLES S. SMITH,

JOHN F. FARRAR.

*Inspector of Provisions and Animals.*

ROGER SHERMAN.

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\* Deceased.

# WARRANT.

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## COMMONWEALTH OF MASSACHUSETTS.

MIDDLESEX SS.

*To Lorenzo E. Brooks, or either of the Constables of  
the Town of Lincoln, in said County:*

GREETING :

In the name of the Commonwealth of Massachusetts you are hereby required to notify and warn the inhabitants of the Town of Lincoln, duly qualified to vote in Town affairs, to assemble at Bemis Hall, on Monday, March seventh, next, at one o'clock P. M., to act on the following articles, viz.:

ARTICLE 1. To choose a Moderator.

ART. 2. To hear, and act upon Reports of Town Officers, Committees, Commissioners and Trustees.

ART. 3. To choose all necessary Town Officers, Committees, Commissioners and Trustees.

ART. 4. To act upon the jury list presented by the Selectmen.

ART. 5. To appropriate money for necessary and expedient purposes of the Town, and enact anything in relation thereto.

ART. 6. To give in their votes by ballot in answer to the question: "Shall licenses be granted for the sale of intoxicating liquors in this town?" The check list shall be used, as provided by Section 5, Chapter 100, of the Public Statutes.

ART. 7. To determine the manner of collecting taxes the ensuing year.

ART. 8. To determine the compensation of the Collector of taxes the ensuing year.

ART. 9. To see if the Town will authorize its Treasurer, under the direction of the Selectmen, to borrow money in anticipation of taxes of the current year, and to be paid therefrom.

ART. 10. To see if the Town will choose a committee on claims under the provision of Section 3 of Article 6, of the By-Laws.

ART. 11. To see if the Town will cause the Town House to be painted, and other repairs to be made, and appropriate money for the same.

ART. 12. To see if the Town will erect a tablet to designate the place where Paul Revere was captured by the British spies, when on his journey to Concord on the night of April eighteenth, 1775, and appropriate money for the same, or take any other action thereon.

ART. 13. To see if the Town will re-appropriate the whole or any part of sums appropriated during the last year and not expended for the purpose of building a new Pumping Station, procuring new machinery and laying a new pumping main from the pond to the res-

ervoir for the purposes mentioned in Chapter 188 of the Acts of 1872; or will appropriate any further sums for the said purposes; and will borrow any money for the said purposes and authorize the issue of any bonds, notes or scrip for such indebtedness under the provisions of Chapter 341 of the Acts of the year 1897, to an amount not exceeding altogether \$12,000, including the loans authorized by the votes of the Town for the said purpose May 27, 1897, or take any further action in relation to the matter.

ART. 14. To see if the Town will designate a site for the new Pumping Station, or take any action in relation to the matter.

ART. 15. To see if the Town will accept the provisions of Chapter 370 of the Acts of the year 1891, and all other Acts which may become necessary in order to make said Act operative.

ART. 16. To see if the Town will authorize the Selectmen to sell the North School House at public or private sale.

ART. 17. To see if the Town will revoke its acceptance of any act in relation to the highways, and accept any other act, or buy teams, or take any other action, in regard to the method of repairing the highways.

ART. 18. To take what action the Town shall think proper in relation to a claim of Lewis E. Smith for damage on account of road from the late H. C. Chapin's to Mrs. Campbell's, passing through his land.

ART. 19. To see if the Town will vote to settle the claims of George G. Tarbell and Helen V. V. Warren

against the Town for the taking of lands belonging to said Tarbell and Warren respectively, on the easterly side of Sandy Pond, by the Water Commissioners on March 10th, 1896, or any other taking by the Water Commissioners, or by the Town, by the payment of money or by the abandonment or release of any or all of the rights and easements acquired by the Town by virtue of any such taking, or both, and will authorize or direct the Selectmen and Water Commissioners to execute and deliver to said Tarbell and Warren all such instruments in writing as may be necessary or proper to effect such abandonment or release.

ART. 20. To see if the town will lay a water pipe from the stone watering trough to Miner's Corner, or if the town will bear any expense in laying a new pipe to the house of Ogden Codman, and make provisions for the payment of the same.

ART. 21. To see if the town will instruct its Representative in the General Court, to oppose the scheme known as a "Greater Boston" County, or any other legislation which shall tend to dismember Middlesex County, or disrupt its time-honored institutions.

SAMUEL HARTWELL,	} <i>Selectmen</i>
JOHN F. FARRAR,	
WILLIAM S. BRIGGS,	
	<i>of</i>
	<i>Lincoln.</i>



# Proceedings of Town Meeting, March 1, 1897.

## WARRANT.

### COMMONWEALTH OF MASSACHUSETTS.

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*To Lorenzo E. Brooks, or either of the Constables of the Town of  
Lincoln, in said County:*

GREETING:

In the name of the Commonwealth of Massachusetts, you are hereby required to notify and warn the inhabitants of the Town of Lincoln duly qualified to vote in Town affairs to assemble at the Town Hall, on Monday, March first next, at one o'clock P. M., to act on the following articles, viz:

ARTICLE 1. To choose a Moderator.  
Chose Charles S. Wheeler, Moderator.

ART. 2. To hear, consider and act upon Reports of Town Officers, Committees, Commissioners and Trustees, as the town shall think proper.

Report of Town Clerk, accepted.

Report of Selectmen, accepted.

Report of Overseers of the Poor, accepted.

Report of Treasurer, accepted.

Report of Committee on Claims, accepted.

Report of Assessors, laid on the table.

Report of Highway Surveyor, accepted.

Report of State Highway Committee, *Voted*, The report of State Highway Committee be recommitted to the Committee with instructions to make at the next town meeting a full, comprehensive and exhaustive report, and that the Selectmen have such article in the warrant, that it can be acted upon, and that they cause the report to be printed.

Report of Public Improvement Committee, laid on the table.

Report of Board of Health, accepted.

Report of Water Commissioners, accepted.

Report of Cemetery Commissioners, accepted.

Report of Treasurer of Commissioners of Trust Funds, accepted.

Report of Trustees of the Public Library, accepted.

Report of School Committee, accepted.

Report of Committee on School House, accepted.

ART. 3. To choose all necessary Town Officers, Committees, Commissioners and Trustees.

Chose,

*Town Clerk*, James L. Chapin.

*Selectmen*, Samuel Hartwell, John F. Farrar, William S. Briggs.

*Overseers of the Poor*. Voted, To omit choosing.

*Board of Health*, Joseph S. Hart, three years.

*Assessors*, Charles S. Wheeler, William C. Peirce, William H. Sherman.

*Treasurer*, Charles S. Wheeler.

*Collector of Taxes*, Charles S. Wheeler.

*Highway Surveyor*, Daniel H. Sherman.

*Auditor*, William L. G. Peirce.

*Constables*, Lorenzo E. Brooks, Edward Bannon, Frank M. Dempsey, John F. Farrar.

*School Committee*, Francis R. Jones.

*Water Commissioner*, John F. Farrar.

*Field Drivers*, Samuel Farrar, Edwin Dutcher.

*Fence Viewers*, Samuel Farrar, George L. Chapin.

*Surveyors of Lumber*, George F. Harrington, Nathaniel F. Cousins, Edward R. Farrar.

*Measurers of Wood and Bark*, Walter F. Baker, Thomas L. Giles, Edward R. Farrar, T. Wilbur Smith.

*Cemetery Commissioner*, Edward F. Flint.

*Commissioner of Trust Funds*, Samuel H. Pierce, three years, Ogden Codman, unexpired term.

*Trustees of Bemis Lecture Fund*, George Flint, three years, George F. Newton, unexpired term.

*Public Improvement Committee*, Charles Francis Adams, Samuel H. Pierce, Leonard W. Weston.

*Committee on Claims*, Charles Francis Adams, William S. Briggs, Charles S. Wheeler.

ART. 4. To act upon the Jury List presented by the Selectmen. The List of Jurors was amended and accepted, as follows :

Clarence A. Brooks,	George H. Hoar,
James T. Calkins,	Owen E. Martin,
Albert A. Cook,	Charles E. Nelson,
John J. Driscoll,	Edwin B. Rice,
Charles P. Farnsworth,	Charles S. Smith,
John F. Farrar,	Zenas G. Smith,
Ephraim B. Flint,	James B. Wheeler,
Herbert J. Harrington,	Louis H. Whitney,
John R. Hartwell.	

ART. 5. To appropriate money for necessary and expedient purposes of the town, and enact anything in relation thereto.

*Voted*, The following appropriations of money :

For Support of Schools, . . . . .	\$4,000 00
School Incidentals, . . . . .	1,000 00
Music in Schools, . . . . .	200 00
School Superintendent, . . . . .	100 00
Miscellaneous Expenses, . . . . .	2,000 00
Counsel Fees, . . . . .	1,000 00
Support of Poor, . . . . .	1,000 00
Highways and Bridges, . . . . .	4,000 00
Library, . . . . .	Dog Tax and 500 00
Interest, . . . . .	700 00
Payment of Water Bond due Dec. 1, 1897, . . . . .	1,000 00
Cemeteries, . . . . .	300 00
Street Lamps, . . . . .	150 00
Village Improvement, . . . . .	100 00
Decoration Day, . . . . .	25 00
Payment of Temporary Loans, . . . . .	2,000 00
Board of Health, . . . . .	100 00
Public Improvement Committee, . . . . .	100 00
Military Aid, . . . . .	48 00

ART. 6. To give in their votes by ballot in answer to the question, "Shall licenses be granted for the sale of intoxicating liquors in this town?" The check list shall be used, as provided by Section 5, Chapter 100, of the Public Statutes.

*Voted*, Yes, 11 ; No, 33.

ART. 7. To determine the manner of collecting taxes the ensuing year.

*Voted*, That the taxes be collected in the same way and manner as last year; and that the Town authorize the Collector to use all means of collecting taxes which a town treasurer when appointed collector may use.

ART. 8. To determine the compensation of the Collector of Taxes the ensuing year.

*Voted*, That the compensation of the Collector be  $1\frac{1}{2}$  cents on the dollar.

ART. 9. To see if the Town will authorize the committee chosen by the Town at a former meeting to contract for and build a portion of the State Road, to contract with the State Highway Commissioners to build the remainder of the State Highway in this Town.

*Voted*, That the Town does authorize said Committee to contract with the State Highway Commissioners to build the remainder of the State Highway in this Town.

ART. 10. To see if the Town will authorize its Treasurer, under the direction of the Selectmen to borrow money in anticipation of taxes of the current year, and to be paid therefrom.

*Voted*, That the Treasurer be and is hereby authorized and directed with the approval of the Selectmen to borrow temporarily, in anticipation of the taxes of the present municipal year, such sums of money as may be from time to time required, and to give the negotiable note or notes of the Town for money so borrowed, and that all such temporary loans shall be paid from the said taxes.

ART. 11. To see if the Town will make any provision by the choice or appointment of a Committee on Claims or otherwise, for the defense or compromise of suits, claims and demands against the Town and for the prosecution or compromise of such proceedings as may be necessary for the protection of the rights of the Town, or take any other action in relation thereto.

*Voted*, That a committee of three persons to be chosen by the Town, shall constitute a Committee on Claims, whose powers and duties shall be as follows: To consider all disputed claims and demands of whatever kind, which shall be presented to the Town,



and to compromise or defend the same before any tribunal; to bring, in the name of the Town, such suits at law or equity, or institute such other proceedings before any tribunal, as may in their judgment, be necessary and proper to protect the interests and property of the Town, and to compromise any such suit or other proceeding; to take necessary and proper measures for the collection and preservation of evidence relating to any controversy in which the Town is, or may be a party; to represent the Town before the Legislature of the Commonwealth in matters affecting the interests of the Town; to employ counsel to appear in the name and behalf of the Town for any of the aforesaid objects; to have charge of the expenditures of any appropriation made for such objects, unless otherwise specifically provided for; and in all matters, so far as practicable, to act in connection with the particular board or committee affected thereby.

ART. 12. To see if the Town will accept the provisions of Chapter 78 of the Acts of 1893, in relation to the extermination of insect pests within the limits of the highways.

Not acted upon.

ART. 13. To see if the Town will elect a Tree Warden, under the provisions of Chapter 190 of the Acts of 1896.

Not acted upon.

ART. 14. To see if the Town will appropriate money to be used for the setting out of trees within the limits of the highways, or for the extermination of insect pests within such limits.

Not acted upon.

ART. 15. To see if the Town will repair the Town House, and substitute some other material in place of the crumbly light-colored brick, and appropriate money therefor, or take any other action in the matter.

Not acted upon.

ART. 16. To see if the Town will authorize the Water Commissioners to build a new Pumping Station, procure new machinery and lay a new pumping main from the pond to the reservoir, for the purposes mentioned in Chapter 188 of the Acts of 1872.

*Voted*, (Yes, 70; No, 17;) That the Water Commissioners be and the same are hereby authorized to procure plans and specifi-



cations for the construction of a new Pumping Station upon the land taken for water purposes near the shores of Sandy Pond in March, 1876, and March 1896, and to contract or otherwise provide for the building of the same; to procure such new machinery and appliances as may be necessary and proper for pumping water from Sandy Pond to the reservoir, and to contract for and purchase such machinery and appliances, to lay a new pumping main from the pond to the reservoir, and to contract or otherwise to provide for the construction of the same, and to perform the whole or any part of the work hereby authorized at their discretion, all of said work being for the purposes mentioned in Chapter 188 of the Acts of the year 1872, and to be done under and according to the provisions of the said Chapter, provided that the sum paid, or contracted to be paid under this vote, shall not exceed for all the purposes herein mentioned altogether, the sum of ten thousand dollars.

ART. 17. To see if the Town will appropriate any money or make any other provision by borrowing or otherwise, for the settlement of claims occasioned by any takings of land by the Water Commissioners, under Chapter 188 of the Acts of 1872.

*Voted,* To appropriate \$1,000 for this purpose.

ART. 18. To see if the Town, for the purposes mentioned in Articles 16 and 17, or in either or both of the said Articles, will borrow any money and authorize the issue of any notes, bonds or script for such indebtedness under the provisions of Chapter 188 of the Acts of 1872, to an amount not exceeding altogether \$10,000, payable at a period not exceeding thirty years from the date thereof, with interest payable semi-annually at a rate not exceeding six per cent. per annum, or will make any appropriations of money for any or all of the said purposes, or take any other action in relation thereto.

*Voted,* That for the purpose of defraying the expense of constructing the new pumping station, procuring new machinery and appliances therefor and laying a new pumping main from Sandy Pond to the reservoir for the purposes mentioned in Chapter 188 of the Acts of the year 1872, the sum of ten thousand dollars be and the same hereby is appropriated; and the Treasurer of the Town is hereby authorized to issue from time to time for the purpose of borrowing the whole or any part of the said sum of ten

thousand dollars for the purposes before mentioned, the bonds of the town in denominations of not less than five hundred dollars each to be signed by him and countersigned by the Chairman of the Selectmen and to be denominated upon their face "Lincoln Water Loan," to an amount not exceeding altogether ten thousand dollars, payable at periods not exceeding thirty years from the date thereof respectively, with interest payable semi-annually at a rate not exceeding six per centum per annum; and the Treasurer may sell the said bonds at his discretion at public or private sale, and shall conform in all respects to the provisions of Chapter 188 of the Acts of 1872, relating to the issue of such bonds.

**ART. 19.** To see if the Town will accept a gift of land from William S. Briggs and build a road thereon, the same to be an extension of the road past Michael Kennedy's and the Spencer farm to Lincoln street, so called, and appropriate money therefor, and discontinue the present road from the East schoolhouse towards Lincoln Centre to junction with said Lincoln street.

*Voted,* That the Town accept with thanks the gift of a suitable lot of land from William S. Briggs and Laura F. Briggs for the purpose set forth in Art. 19, and instruct the Selectmen to lay out a road thereon, and report their doings at the next town meeting, and that the road from the East quarter schoolhouse towards Lincoln Centre to its junction with Lincoln street (so called) be now discontinued.

**ART. 20.** To see if the Town will widen the road at the west end of the three-cornered cemetery or take any action in relation to the same.

Not acted upon.

**ART. 21.** To see if the Town will construct and maintain a sidewalk from the centre of the Town to the depot of the Fitchburg Railway.

Not acted upon.

**ART. 22.** To see if the Town will place street lights upon the road between the centre of the Town and the depot of the Fitchburg Railway.

*Voted,* That the Selectmen cause suitable lights to be placed upon the road between the iron watering trough and the Fitchburg railroad station.

ART. 23. To see if the Town will purchase a horse road-roller for the use of road maker.

Not acted upon.

ART. 24. To see if the Town will adopt a code of By-Laws or take any action in relation thereto.

*Voted*, That the Town adopt the following code of By-Laws :  
(See the By-Laws in the last pages of this book.)

*Voted*, that the Committee on Claims be authorized to present the By-Laws this day accepted, to the Superior Court for its approval, and cause said By-Laws to be published in one or more newspapers printed in the County of Middlesex; the expense incurred by the Committee on Claims in carrying out the provisions of this vote shall be charged to their appropriation.

ART. 25. To see if the Town will petition the Legislature for legislation increasing the borrowing capacity of the Town for water purposes, or take any action in regard to the matter.

*Voted*, That the Committee on Claims be authorized and are hereby instructed to petition the Legislature for authority for the Town to issue ten thousand dollars in bonds in addition to the amount authorized under Chapter 188 of the Acts of 1872.

ART. 26. To see if the Town will take measures to erect a new schoolhouse in conformity with the report of the Committee on Schoolhouse, and provide for the payment of the same.

*Voted*, To pass over.

JAMES L. CHAPIN, *Town Clerk*.

Proceedings of Town Meeting, April 7, 1897.

## WARRANT.

COMMONWEALTH OF MASSACHUSETTS.

MIDDLESEX, ss.

*To Lorenzo E. Brooks, or either of the Constables of the Town of Lincoln, in said County :*

GREETING :

In the name of the Commonwealth of Massachusetts, you are hereby required to notify and warn the inhabitants of the Town of

Lincoln duly qualified to vote in town affairs, to assemble in Bemis Hall, on Wednesday, the seventh day of April next, at one o'clock, P. M., to act on the following articles, viz :

ARTICLE 1. To choose a moderator.

Chose Charles S. Wheeler, Moderator.

ART. 2. To hear and act upon the Report of the State Highway Committee, and any other reports that may properly come before said meeting.

*Voted*, That the report of the State Highway Committee be accepted.

ART. 3. To see if the Town will accept and allow the town way as laid out by the Selectmen, as a continuation northerly of the road leading to Weston by the farms of Spencer and Kennedy, beginning at a point near the house of Spencer and running northerly over land of Spencer and Laura F. Briggs to the County Road from Lincoln to Waltham by the house of the said Briggs; and to see if the Town will make any appropriation for the expenses of the said road or take any action in relation to the matter.

*Voted*, That the Town will accept and allow the town way as laid out by the Selectmen as a continuation northerly of the road leading to Weston by the farms of Spencer and Kennedy, beginning at a point near the house of Spencer and running northerly over land of Spencer and Laura F. Briggs to the County Road from Lincoln to Waltham by the house of the said Briggs.

*Voted*, To appropriate \$600 for the expenses of the said road.

*Voted*, That the Selectmen be instructed to contract with the lowest responsible bidder for the building of the road laid out across the land of Laura F. Briggs and the heirs of Geoffrey Spencer.

ART. 4. To see if the Town will accept and allow the town way by the westerly side of the triangular Cemetery as altered by the Selectmen; or make any appropriation therefor, or take any other action in relation to the matter.

*Voted*, To accept and allow the town way by the westerly side of the triangular cemetery as altered by the Selectmen.

*Voted*, That the Highway Surveyor make this road.



ART. 5. To see if the Town will accept and allow the town way as laid out by the Selectmen, commencing at the angle in the road from the East schoolhouse to Waltham, near the house of Andrew Dougherty and running westerly to a point near a causeway on Spencer's land and at the road leading to Weston by the farms of Spencer and Kennedy; and to see if the Town will make any appropriation for the expenses of the said road, or take any action in relation to the matter.

Laid on the table.

ART. 6. To see if the Town will appropriate money suitable for the erection and maintenance of street lights on road from water trough in centre of Lincoln, to Charles P. Farnsworth's corner, or take any action thereon.

*Voted*, Not to appropriate money for this purpose.

ART. 7. To see if the Town will make an appropriation of money to be expended by the Public Improvement Committee, to procure and erect a monument with suitable inscription thereon, to designate the place where Paul Revere was captured on his memorable ride to Concord, to warn the inhabitants of the movement of the British Regulars, on the night of April 18, 1775.

*Voted*, To appropriate \$100 for this purpose.

ART. 8. To determine whether the Town will issue a note or notes in renewal of notes heretofore issued to defray the expenses of extending water pipes, and to be denominated "Lincoln Water Loan."

*Voted* unanimously, that the Treasurer be and hereby is authorized to sign and issue in the name of the Town, a note or notes to be countersigned by a majority of the Selectmen, and denominated "Lincoln Water Loan," for the purpose of taking up or renewing any note or notes heretofore issued by the Town, to defray the expense of extending water pipes; the loan hereby authorized to be for a sum not exceeding in the whole amount, ten thousand dollars, and to run for a period not exceeding five years from this date, with interest payable semi-annually, at a rate not exceeding four per centum per annum.

ART. 9. To see if the Town will reconsider the vote of March 8, 1897, adopting a code of By-Laws, or take any action in rela-



tion to amendment of said code of By-Laws, or adopt any By-Laws, or take any other action in relation to the matter.

Not acted upon.

ART. 10. To see if the Town will authorize the Selectmen to sell the East schoolhouse at public auction, under such conditions as the Selectman may stipulate, or take any action in the matter.

*Voted*, To authorize the Selectmen to sell the East schoolhouse at public auction under such conditions as the Selectmen may stipulate.

ART. 11. To see if the Town will dispense with the services of the School Superintendent and reconsider the vote passed at the last town meeting appropriating \$100 for the same.

Not acted upon.

ART. 12. To see if the Town will reconsider the votes passed under Articles 16, 17, 18 and 25 of the warrant for the meeting held March 1, 1897.

Not acted upon.

ART. 13. To see if the Town will choose three persons to employ a suitable engineer, and with him investigate the whole question of water supply for the Town, and report at an adjourned meeting.

Not acted upon.

ART. 14. To see if the Town will direct the Water Commissioners to deed to the parties from whom it was taken, the whole or any part of the land taken by them last year for water purposes.

Not acted upon.

Adjourned.

JAMES L. CHAPIN, *Town Clerk.*

# Proceedings of Town Meeting, May 27, 1897.

## WARRANT.

### COMMONWEALTH OF MASSACHUSETTS.

MIDDLESEX, SS.

*To Lorenzo E. Brooks, or any Constable of the Town of Lincoln,  
in said County:*

#### GREETING:

In the name of the Commonwealth of Massachusetts, you are hereby required to notify and warn the inhabitants of the Town of Lincoln duly qualified to vote in town affairs, to assemble in Bemis Hall, on Thursday evening, May 27th inst., at 7.30 o'clock, to act on the following articles, viz.:

ART. 1. To choose a Moderator.

Chose Charles S. Wheeler, Moderator.

ART. 2. To see if the Town will authorize its Treasurer to borrow money in anticipation of taxes of the present municipal year, and to be paid therefrom.

*Voted*, That for the purpose of procuring a temporary loan to and for the use of the Town of Lincoln, the Town Treasurer is hereby authorized and directed to borrow from time to time, with the approval of a majority of a board of Selectmen, a sum or sums in the aggregate amounting to fifteen thousand dollars and execute and deliver the note or notes of the Town therefor, payable within one year from the time the loan is made, with interest thereon at a rate not exceeding six per cent. per annum. Any debt or debts incurred by a loan or loans to the Town under this vote shall be paid from the taxes of the present municipal year.

ART. 3. To see if the Town will authorize the Water Commissioners to lay a four-inch cast iron pipe, about 1,200 feet from the main pipe to the estate of H. E. Warner, through land given the Town by William Mackintosh, and make provision for the payment of the same.

*Voted*, That the Water Commissioners be and hereby are authorized to lay about 1,200 feet four-inch cast iron pipe from the main opposite the Hodges estate, through the land deeded to the Town by William Mackintosh, to the estate of H. E. Warner, and pay therefor from money in their hands.

ART. 4. To see if the Town will make any further appropriations of money for the purpose of building a new pumping station, procuring new machinery, and laying a new pumping main from the pond to the reservoir for the purposes mentioned in Chapter 188 of the Acts of the year 1872; and will borrow any money for the said purposes and authorize the issue of any bonds, notes, or script for such indebtedness under the provisions of Chapter 341 of the Acts of the year 1897, to an amount not exceeding altogether ten thousand dollars, (\$10,000) in addition to the loans already authorized by the votes of the Town for the said purposes, or take any other action in relation to the matter.

*Voted*, That for the purpose of defraying the expenses of constructing the new pumping station, procuring new machinery and appliances therefor, and laying a new pumping main from Sandy Pond to the reservoir for the purposes mentioned in Chapter 188 of the Acts of the year 1872, the sum of ten thousand dollars (\$10,000) be and the same hereby is appropriated in addition to the sums already appropriated for the said purposes, and the Water Commissioners are hereby authorized to expend the said sum in addition to the said other sums for the said purposes, provided that the sums paid or contracted to be paid under this vote and the previous votes of the Town authorizing the Water Commissioners to do the said work, shall not exceed altogether the sum of \$20,000; and the Treasurer of the Town is hereby authorized to issue, for the purpose of borrowing the whole or any part of the said additional sum of ten thousand dollars (\$10,000), the bonds of the Town in denominations of not less than one thousand dollars (\$1,000) each, the first of which bonds shall be payable in one year from the date of issue, and at the end of each year thereafter one of the said bonds shall be made payable until the total amount of the said issue is exhausted; said bonds shall bear on their face the words "Lincoln Water Loan;" shall bear interest payable semi-annually at a rate not exceeding four per centum per annum; shall be signed by the Treasurer of the Town and countersigned by the Selectmen, and may be sold at public auction or private sale at the discretion of the Treasurer. The issue and sale of the said bonds shall conform in all respects to the provisions of Chapter 341 of the Acts of the year 1897.

JAMES L. CHAPIN, *Town Clerk.*

## Warrant for State Election.

## WARRANT.

## COMMONWEALTH OF MASSACHUSETTS.

MIDDLESEX, SS.

*To Lorenzo E. Brooks, or either of the Constables in the Town of Lincoln, in said County :*

## GREETING :

In the name of the Commonwealth of Massachusetts, you are hereby required to notify the inhabitants of the Town of Lincoln, duly qualified to vote in the Election of State Officers, to assemble at the Town Hall, on Tuesday, the second day of November next, at ten o'clock in the forenoon, to give in their votes for the following officers, viz :

A Governor, Lieutenant-Governor, Secretary, Treasurer and Receiver-General, an Auditor and Attorney-General for the State of Massachusetts; a Councillor from the Sixth Councillor District, a County Treasurer and County Commissioner for the County of Middlesex, a Senator from the Fifth Senatorial District in Middlesex, a Register of Deeds for the Southern District in Middlesex, and a Representative in the General Court for the Seventeenth Representative District in Middlesex.

All the officers enumerated above are to be designated and voted for on one ballot. The polls to be opened at ten o'clock, A. M., and may be closed at four o'clock, P. M.

And you are directed to serve this Warrant by posting a copy thereof, attested by you, in each of the Post Offices, in one of the Churches, or one other public place not less than seven days before the day appointed for such meeting, and making return thereof, with your doings thereon, to either of us before the time of meeting. Hereof fail not.

Dated at Lincoln, October sixteenth, one thousand eight hundred and ninety-seven.

SAMUEL HARTWELL,	} <i>Selectmen of</i>
WILLIAM S. BRIGGS,	
	} <i>Lincoln.</i>



Pursuant to the foregoing warrant, the meeting was opened at ten o'clock A. M., and the ballot box was shown to be empty and the register at 000. William L. G. Peirce and Thomas L. Giles were appointed ballot clerks and tellers and were sworn by the Chairmen of the Selectmen. The polls opened at 10 o'clock A. M., and closed at 4.10 P. M. with the register on the ballot box showing 105, while a count of the ballots and the checks on the tally sheets agreed, making the number 97, as follows, viz :

GOVERNOR.—	John Bascom of Williamstown,	3 votes.
	William Everett of Quincy,	17 “
	Geo. Fred Williams of Dedham,	13 “
	Blank,	1 “
	<i>Roger Wolcott of Boston</i>	62 “
LIEUTENANT-GOVERNOR.—		
	Christosher T. Callahan of Holyoke,	15 “
	James E. Cotter of Hyde Park,	16 “
	W. Murray Crane of Dalton,	59 “
	Blank,	4 “
SECRETARY.—	Charles D. Nash of Whitman,	12 “
	William M. Olin of Boston,	59 “
	Edwin Sawtell of Brockton,	4 “
	Bernard M. Wolf of Boston,	14 “
	Blank,	8 “
TREASURER.—	Robert C. Habberly of Hyde Park,	4 “
	Edward P. Shaw of Newburyport,	60 “
	Horace P. Tobey of Wareham,	14 “
	Thomas A. Watson of Braintree,	13 “
	Blank,	6 “
AUDITOR.—	Henry Douglas of Great Barrington,	13 “
	John W. Kimball of Fitchburg,	60 “
	Joseph Henry Sheldon of Haverhill,	12 “
	Herbert M. Small of Templeton,	4 “
	Blank,	8 “



## ATTORNEY-GENERAL.—

Wolcott Hamlin of Amherst,	5 votes.
William Harrison of Lawrence,	1 “
Hosea M. Knowlton of New Bedford,	59 “
William W. McClench of Chicopee,	15 “
John A. O’Keefe of Lynn,	12 “
Blank,	5 “

## COUNCILLOR, SIXTH DISTRICT.—

Elisha H. Shaw of Chelmsford,	64 “
Blank,	33 “

## SENATOR, FIFTH MIDDLESEX DISTRICT.—

William V. Hyde of Waltham,	9 “
Henry Parsons of Marlborough,	61 “
William Cushing Wait of Medford,	17 “
Blank,	10 “

## REPRESENTATIVE IN GENERAL COURT.—

Charles E. Brown of Concord,	65 “
Thomas Todd of Concord,	1 “
Blank,	31 “

## COUNTY COMMISSIONER.—

Samuel O. Upham of Waltham,	62 “
Blank,	35 “

## REGISTER OF DEEDS.—

Edwin O. Childs of Newton,	64 “
Blank,	33 “

## COUNTY TREASURER.—

Joseph O. Hayden of Somerville,	63 “
Blank,	34 “

The ballots having been counted and returns made and sealed and declaration of the result made in open meeting, the meeting was dissolved.

JAMES L. CHAPIN, *Town Clerk.*

*RECORD OF ALTERATION OF A TOWN WAY ON  
WESTERLY SIDE OF THE TRIANGULAR  
CEMETERY IN LINCOLN.*

The undersigned, being the Selectmen of the Town of Lincoln, having given printed and written notice to George Flint, being the only party known to us to be interested in the subject matter of the town way to be altered, of our intention to alter a certain town way by the westerly side of the triangular cemetery in said Lincoln, said notices requiring all persons interested in the subject matter thereof to appear before us at the Town Hall on the 22d day of March, 1897, at nine o'clock in the forenoon, and having caused such notices to be actually served, according to the law, upon all such persons by a constable of this Town seven days at least before the day so appointed for the hearing; and having given notice to them and all other persons, if any, who may be interested in the subject matter of altering said way, whose names are not known to us, or who have no place of abode in the Town, or who have no tenant or authorized agent known to us, by posting up copies of the printed and written notices in public places in the Town, seven days at least before the day appointed for the hearing.

Pursuant to such notice we met at the time and place appointed for the hearing, and having heard the remarks of all the persons who appeared in relation thereto, and no objection having been made and the route of the proposed alteration having been viewed and examined by us, after fully considering the subject, adjudged that it was necessary for the public convenience that the said town way should be altered and maintained by the Town as hereinafter described. The southeasterly side of the said town way as altered is as follows: Beginning at the southwesterly corner of the triangular cemetery at the county road leading from Lincoln to Waltham, thence north-easterly by the said cemetery to the road leading from Lincoln to Lexington by the old Globe Tavern, so called; the northwesterly line of the said highway is thirty-five feet distant from and parallel to the first mentioned line, and begins at said county road, on land of George Flint, and thence runs north forty-three degrees, east two hundred and twenty feet to the said road to Lexington. The said alteration is, as shown on the plan, drawn by Alberd E. Wood, surveyor, dated March, 1897,

approved by us and made a part of this record. And in consideration of the damage that may accrue to the said Flint, by reason of the said alteration, we award to him the sum of five dollars; and the said town way as so altered, located and described, is hereby reported to the Town for acceptance, and when so accepted, allowed and recorded, is to be known as a town way.

The said plan with this record have this day been filed by us in the office of the town clerk. Dated at Lincoln, March 30, 1897.

SAMUEL HARTWELL,	} <i>Selectmen of</i>
JOHN F. FARRAR,	
WILLIAM S. BRIGGS,	
	} <i>the Town of</i>
	} <i>Lincoln.</i>

APRIL 7, 1897.

*Voted*, To accept and allow the town way by the westerly side of the triangular cemetery as altered by the Selectmen.

JAMES L. CHAPIN, *Town Clerk.*

## RECORD OF THE LAYING OUT OF A TOWN WAY ACROSS LAND OF SPENCER AND BRIGGS.

The undersigned, being the Selectmen of the Town of Lincoln, having given printed and written notices to the heirs of Geoffrey Spencer and Laura F. Briggs, being the only parties known to us to be interested in the subject matter of the town way to be laid out, of our intention to lay out a certain town way in the south-easterly part of Lincoln for the use of the Town and the inhabitants thereof, said notices requiring all persons interested in the subject matter thereof to appear before us at the Town Hall on the 22d day of March, 1897, at nine o'clock in the forenoon; and having caused such notices to be actually served, according to the law, upon all such persons by a constable of this Town seven days at least before the day so appointed for the hearing; and having given notice to them and all other persons, if any, who may be interested in the subject matter of laying out said way, whose names are not known to us, or who have no place of abode in the Town, or who have no tenant or authorized agent known to us, by posting up copies of the printed and written notices in public

places in the Town, seven days at least before the day appointed for the hearing.

Pursuant to such notice we met at the time and place appointed for the hearing and having heard the remarks of all persons who appeared in relation thereto, and no objection having been made and the route of the proposed laying out having been viewed and examined by us, after fully considering the subject, adjudged that it was necessary for the public convenience that the said town way should be laid out and maintained by the Town as hereafter described.

Beginning at a point marked by a stake upon the southerly side of the road running from Lincoln Centre to Waltham, sometimes called Lincoln Street, about nine hundred feet westerly from the house of said Briggs, the easterly line of said way runs south nine and one-half degrees, west across said Briggs' land three hundred and sixty-one feet to another road, discontinued by vote of the Town, March 1, 1897, thence in the same direction across the last mentioned road, twenty-five feet to the land of the heirs of Geoffrey Spencer, thence still in the same direction across land of said heirs about ninety-seven feet to the easterly side of a third road, sometimes called Silver Hill Road. The westerly side of the said way runs parallel with and forty feet distant from the above described easterly side, crossing the lands of the said heirs and of the said Briggs from the said Silver Hill Road to said Lincoln Street. The said town way is a continuation of the said Silver Hill Road across the said lands to said Lincoln Street.

No damages are awarded, as upon consideration by us it appears that said heirs of Geoffrey Spencer are not damaged by the said laying out, and the said Briggs has agreed to release by an instrument under seal all claims for damage sustained by reason of the said laying out. And the said town way as so laid out, located and described, is hereby reported to the Town for acceptance and when so accepted, allowed and recorded is to be thereafter known as a town way.

This record and the release herein referred to have this day been filed by up in the office of the town clerk.

SAMUEL HARTWELL,	} <i>Selectmen of</i>
JOHN F. FARRAR,	
WILLIAM S. BRIGGS,	
	<i>the Town of</i>
	<i>Lincoln.</i>

APRIL 7, 1897.

*Voted*, That the Town will accept and allow the town way, as laid out by the Selectmen, as a continuation northerly of the road leading to Weston by the farms of Spencer and Kennedy, beginning at a point near the house of Spencer and running northerly over land of Spencer and Laura F. Briggs to the county road, from Lincoln to Waltham by the house of the said Briggs.

JAMES L. CHAPIN, *Town Clerk*.

ART. 19.

*Voted*, \* \* \* \* and that the road from the east quarter school house towards Lincoln Centre to its junction with Lincoln Street (so called) be now discontinued.

JAMES L. CHAPIN, *Town Clerk*.



## TOWN CLERK'S REPORT.

There have been recorded for the year ending Dec. 31, 1897 :

Births,	. . . . .	17
Marriages,	. . . . .	9
Deaths,	. . . . .	17

### BIRTHS REGISTERED.

Date of Birth.	Name of Child.	Name of Parents.
Feb. 4, 1897,	Mary Catherine Connors.	Michael and Mary Connors.
" 11, "	Issabelle Titcomb Peirce.	William C. and Harriet M. Peirce.
Mar. 8, "	Edward Napoleon Gilbert.	Napoleon and Agnes Gilbert.
April 7, "	Adelaide Amelia Stevens.	William and Mary A. Stevens.
" 22, "	Charlotte May Dutcher.	Edwin and Jennie Dutcher.
May 10, "	Mary Helena McKinnon.	Hugh and Annie McKinnon.
June 11, "	Thomas Sullivan.	James and Ellen M. Sullivan
" 22, "	Still Born, Twins, { Male. Female.	James and Annabell Bragg.
" 30, "	John Farrar Giles.	Thomas and Anna H. Giles.
Oct. 31, "	Helen Dempsey.	Frank M. and Mary E. Dempsey.
Nov. 20, "	Dora Hannah Driscoll.	John J. and Dora L. Driscoll.
" 22, "	Edith Blanche Butcher.	Charles R. and Jeannette I. Butcher.
Dec. 14, "	Everett Wentworth Hartwell.	George D. and Carrie I. Hartwell.
" 24, "	Mary Elizabeth Myette.	Jeffrey and Mary Jane Myette.
" 27, "	Catherin Moynihan.	Timothy and Lizzie Moynihan.
" 28, "	Still Born, Male.	George and Annie Hempseed.

Whole number of Births registered,	. . . . .	17
Males,	. . . . .	6
Females,	. . . . .	11

#### Nativity of Parents.

United States,	. . . . .	12
Nova Scotia,	. . . . .	10
Ireland,	. . . . .	6
England,	. . . . .	2
Scotland,	. . . . .	1
New Brunswick,	. . . . .	1

## MARRIAGES REGISTERED.

Date of Marriage.		Names.	Residence.
Jan.	5, 1897,	{ Eugene Buckley. Lizzie L. Roach.	New York. Lincoln.
Feb.	7, "	{ Thomas O'Donnell. Mary Moriarty.	Lincoln. Chelsea.
"	16, "	{ James Hutton. Elizabeth McKinnon.	Lincoln. Waltham.
"	17, "	{ George D. Hartwell. Carrie I. Wentworth.	Lincoln. Boston.
Aug.	19, "	{ Benj. Wheeler Small. Jessie Ella Adams.	Somerville. Lincoln.
Sept.	22, "	{ Fred J. Proctor. Hattie P. McKenzie.	Lincoln. Somerville.
Oct.	8, "	{ Charles C. Green. Grace Farrar.	Chester, N. J. Lincoln.
"	13, "	{ Michael D. Spencer. Margaret F. Lehen.	Lincoln. Boston.
Nov.	17, "	{ Arthur H. Wheeler. Flora Bell Peck.	Lincoln. Waltham.

Whole number of Marriages registered, . . . . . 9

## DEATHS REGISTERED.

Date of Death.	Name.	Age.			Cause of Death.
		Y.	M.	D.	
Jan. 15, 1897,	Susan Brooks.	84	10	25	Senile Catarrh.
Feb. 21, "	James Roach.	62			Pneumonia.
Mar. 8, "	Thomas Lynah.	67			{ Influenza Complicating Nephritis.
" 20, "	Charles H. Stratton.	73	6		Chronic Bright's Disease.
Apr. 29, "	Samuel Phillips.	58	6	29	Suicide by pistol shot.
June 22, "	Annabell Bragg.	31			Uremia, Acute Bright.
" 22, "	Twins { Male. Female.				Still Born.
July 9, "	James F. Spencer.	25	9	12	Pulmonary Tuberculosis.
" 27, "	Leonard W. Weston.	58	7	6	{ Cerebral Hemorrhage, Com- plicated.
Oct. 3, "	Charlotte Wheeler.	91	2	20	Old Age.
Nov. 9, "	Joseph B. Thompson.	64			Diabetis.
" 22, "	John P. Taylor.	55	11	9	{ Bronchial Hemorrhage from accident resulting in Met- ostatic Abscess.
" 30, "	George Edward Rice.	4	8	27	Appendicitis.
Dec. 28, "	Male.				Still Born.
" 29, "	Sarah White.	87	6		Acute Indigestion, Old Age.

Whole number of Deaths, . . . . . 17

## EXTRACTS FROM ACTS AND RESOLVES OF 1897, CHAPTER 444.

SECTION 3. Physicians and midwives shall on or before the fifth day of each month report to the clerk of each city or town a correct list of all children born therein during the month next preceding, at whose birth they were present, stating the date and place of each birth, the name of the child if it has any, the sex and color of the child, the name, place of birth and residence of the parents, the maiden name of the mother, and the occupation of the father.

SEC. 6. Parents shall, within forty days after the birth of a child, give notice thereof or cause such notice to be given, to the clerk of the city or town in which such child is born.

## NOTICE.

In conformity with the requirements of Chap. 444, Sec. 17, of the Acts of 1897, the Town Clerk hereby gives notice that he is prepared to furnish to parents, householders, physicians and midwives applying therefor, blanks for returns of births as required by law.

JAMES L. CHAPIN, *Town Clerk.*

## DOGS LICENSED.

There have been ninety-nine dogs licensed ; eighty-seven males and twelve females ; for which there has been paid to the County Treasurer the sum of \$214.20.

JAMES L. CHAPIN, *Town Clerk.*

LINCOLN, Feb. 4, 1898.

## TOWN GRANTS FOR 1897-98.

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For Schools, . . . . .	\$4,000 00
“ School Incidentals, . . . . .	1,000 00
“ “ Superintendent, . . . . .	100 00
“ “ Music, . . . . .	200 00
“ Miscellaneous Expenses, . . . . .	2,000 00
“ Counsel Fees, . . . . .	1,000 00
“ Support of Poor, . . . . .	1,000 00
“ Highways and Bridges, . . . . .	4,000 00
“ Library, . . . . . Dog Tax and	500 00
“ Interest, . . . . .	700 00
“ Payment of Water Bond, due Dec. 1, 1897, . . . . .	1,000 00
“ Cemeteries, . . . . .	300 00
“ Street Lamps, . . . . .	150 00
“ Village Improvement, . . . . .	100 00
“ Decoration Day, . . . . .	25 00
“ Payment of Temporary Loans, . . . . .	2,000 00
“ Board of Health, . . . . .	100 00
“ Public Improvement Committee, . . . . .	100 00
“ Military Aid, . . . . .	48 00
“ Settlement of Claims for land near Pond, . . . . .	1,000 00
“ Paul Revere Monument, . . . . .	100 00
“ New Road, near Wm. S. Briggs, . . . . .	600 00
	————— \$20,023 00

The following amounts of money to be appropriated and raised by taxation the current year are recommended :

For Support of Schools, . . . .	\$4,000 00
“ School Incidentals, . . . .	1,500 00
“ Music in Schools, . . . .	300 00
“ School Superintendent, . . . .	100 00
“ Miscellaneous Expenses, . . . .	3,000 00
“ Counsel Fees, . . . .	2,000 00
“ Support of Poor, . . . .	1,000 00
“ Highways and Bridges, . . . .	4,000 00
“ Library,—Dog Tax of 1897, and . . . .	500 00
“ Interest, . . . .	700 00
“ Payment of Water Bond, due Dec. 1, 1898, . . . .	1,000 00
“ Cemeteries, . . . .	300 00
“ Street Lamps, . . . .	150 00
“ Village Improvement, . . . .	50 00
“ Decoration Day, . . . .	50 00
“ Payment of Temporary Loans, . . . .	2,000 00
“ Board of Health, . . . .	100 00
“ Public Improvement Committee, . . . .	100 00
“ Repairs of Town House and Painting, . . . .	400 00
“ State Aid, . . . .	48 00
“ Paul Revere Tablet, . . . .	200 00
	—————\$21,498 00



## SELECTMEN'S REPORT.

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The Committee on Claims was continued the past year, and they have had charge of many problems of which the Selectmen were very glad to be relieved, an account of which it is expected will be given in their report. It is desirable to continue the committee, as cases of which they are cognizant are yet unfinished.

### NEW ROAD.

The new road across land of William S. and Laura F. Briggs and land of Mrs. Spencer as laid out by the selectmen and acted upon at the last March meeting, has been built and opened to travel, and is a great improvement over the old road, which was discontinued by vote of the town under Art. 19, of warrant for same meeting.

### ROAD NEAR CEMETERY.

Under Art. 20 of the above named warrant the town voted that the road at the west end of the three-cornered cemetery be widened to thirty-five feet as per report of Selectmen in laying out the same, and that the work be done by the highway surveyor and paid for out of the appropriation for repairs on highways. Said widening is not accomplished.

### TOWN HOUSE.

At the last March meeting, Art. 15, in relation to repairs on Town House was not acted upon. As the Philadelphia and Boston Face Brick Company had agreed to replace the damaged brick, said company engaged P. McWalter of Concord to do the work. When the damaged brick were removed, others were damaged and the bricks generally were of so poor quality it was found necessary in order to do a job at all satisfactory, that more should be done. The Chairman of Selectmen being present was applied to, to see if the town would bear the expense above what the brick company were willing to do. After looking the matter over, and receiving advice from other sources at hand, Mr. McWalter was allowed to go on, provided the said Face Brick Company would furnish the

brick needed without cost to the town, which they did, said expense to the town will be found in our financial report. Other repairs were found to be necessary, some of which were imperative. Mr. W. A. Chamberlain from Boston, was engaged to do the work. More was found to need repairs than was at first expected. Nothing was done that did not need doing. Although some new work was done such as new gates for entrances to the gallery and shelves for accommodation of the High School. Mr. Chamberlain had roofers to repair the four gutters which leaked at various times, and it was hoped that the roof would be tight, but since that time we have had heavy rains and the roof leaked in several places. Mr. Chamberlain was informed of the matter and requested to give it his early attention. Cold weather and snow on the roof at times have prevented repairs being made. The matter of leakage, the frescoping when damaged and the whole building where painted, needs painting both out and inside, and an appropriation will be asked for the same at the coming March meeting.

#### STATE ROADS.

A state road has been built the entire length of the North Great Road in Lincoln. It has been accomplished in three years. For the detailed expense account, reference is made to the report of the town's committee to build state highways. The selectmen have caused a survey and plans of the South Great Road to be made, and have petitioned the Highway Commission to build a state road there. Said plans accompanied the petition. A great many petitions were received by the commission in advance of ours, so it is uncertain when our petition will be reached and also uncertain whether it will be acted upon favorably or otherwise. We consider the state roads a great acquisition to the town, particularly on the two great thoroughfares which are so much travelled by people of other towns.

#### PAUL REVERE TABLET.

Prominent among important events which took place during the march of the British troops to Concord at the commencement of the Revolutionary war, was the capture of Paul Revere, by the British spies, while on his famous ride to warn the inhabitants along the road to Concord, of the approach of the British soldiers, which event took place in the town of Lincoln. While it may not

be absolutely certain where the exact spot is, the erection of said tablet should be made in accordance with the best information attainable. The towns of Arlington, Lexington and Concord have erected tablets to commemorate important events which took place in their respective towns during said march. Lincoln should not be less mindful of her duty, and thus inform many travellers, and freshen the memory of others of this important event.

#### BY-LAWS.

A code of By-Laws have been accepted by the town and have been approved by the Superior Court within and for the County of Middlesex, a copy of which will be found printed in the Town Report. It is important that the citizens should become familiar with them. They will be in force February first, 1898.

#### TOWN SEAL.

Lincoln is to be congratulated on the acquisition of a new Town Seal, beautiful in design and historically instructive.

SAMUEL HARTWELL,	} <i>Selectmen</i>
JOHN F. FARRAR,	
WILLIAM S. BRIGGS,	
	<i>of</i>
	<i>Lincoln.</i>

## Report of the Overseers of the Poor.

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Since our last report, Mrs. Mary A. Souza has been discharged from Westborough Insane Hospital and taken in charge by her husband.

The number fully supported by the town at present is four, all in Insane Hospitals.

The tramps have been cared for the past year by Mr. John F. Farrar, at an expense to the town of \$100.

Notice has been received from the Overseers of Poor of Newton, that a citizen of this town is being cared for in Newton Hospital. It is hoped that the town will not be called upon to pay her expenses.

A statement of expenses of this department will be found on another page.

JOHN F. FARRAR,	} Overseers of the Poor.
WILLIAM S. BRIGGS,	
SAMUEL HARTWELL,	





## EXPENDITURES.

## FOR SCHOOLS.

## RECEIPTS.

Appropriation, . . . . .	\$4,000 00	
Income of Massachusetts School Fund, . . . . .	170 86	
Income of Grammar School Fund, . . . . .	48 68	
Income from Barge sold, . . . . .	25 00	
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		\$4,244 54

## PAYMENTS.

*High School.*

Ernest W. Small, teaching one year, . . . . .	\$845 58	
Anna P. Sherman, teaching . . . . .	84 00	
George L. Chapin, care of room, . . . . .	30 00	
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		\$959 58

*Centre School.*

Carrie B. Chapin, teaching Grammar Dept. . . . .	\$456 00	
Harriette F. Sawin, teaching Primary Dept. . . . .	418 00	
Grace Farrar, assistant Primary Dept., 15 weeks, . . . . .	135 00	
Elizabeth G. Chapin, assistant Primary Dept., 4 weeks, . . . . .	36 00	
Nellie M. Newton, assistant Prim Dept. , . . . .	171 00	
F. E. Cousius, 22 tons, 298 lbs. Coal, . . . . .	141 70	
George L. Chapin, care of house, . . . . .	90 00	
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		\$1,447 70

*Expense on Account of Carrying Children.*

H. A. Sherman, carrying children, . . . . .	\$268 00
Frank M. Dempsey, carrying children, . . . . .	278 50
John Dee, carrying children, . . . . .	277 00
John Dee, repairs on barge, . . . . .	2 50
Frank M. Dempsey, repairs on barge, . . . . .	2 75
J. A. Burgess, repairs on barge, . . . . .	10 50

Edward Clahan, setting glass in barge, . .	\$1 20	
H. McKinnon, repairs on barge, . . .	7 00	
Wm. Bulger, painting top of barge, . . .	1 25	
George Hagerty, labor and stock on barges, . .	27 00	
Horace Tuttle, barge, Welcome, . . .	175 00	
“ “ supplies for barge, . . .	14 50	
	<hr/>	\$1,065 20

*South School.*

Nellie M. Newton, teaching Grammar Dept. . .	\$228 00	
Bessie F. Moore, teaching Grammar Dept. . .	228 00	
Marion H. Morgan, teaching Primary Dept. . .	228 00	
Hattie B. Heath, teaching Primary Dept. . .	194 00	
F. E. Cousins, 10 tons furnace coal at \$6.20 . .	62 00	
“ “ 11 tons egg coal at \$6.45 . . .	70 95	
John P. Boyce, care of house, . . .	75 01	
E. R. Farrar, two cords wood, cut and housed, . . . . .	11 00	
Samuel Farrar, $\frac{1}{2}$ cord wood sawed, . . .	2 75	
	<hr/>	\$1,099 71
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		\$4,572 19
Receipts brought down, . . . . .		<hr/>
		4,244 54
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Expended above receipts, . . . . .		\$327 65

## School Incidentals.

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### RECEIPTS.

Appropriation, . . . . .	\$1,000 00
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### PAYMENTS.

#### *High School.*

Lyman B. Brooks, 6 diplomas, . . .	\$4 50
F. A. Laws, printing 6 " . . .	3 00
Franklin Educational Co., chemicals, etc., . . .	9 18
L. E. Knott Apparatus Co., apparatus, chemicals, etc., . . . . .	4 85
Ziegler Electric Co., apparatus, chemicals, etc., . . . . .	38 60
W. A. Chamberlain, platforms, black b'd standards, etc., . . . . .	22 95
Ernest W. Small, supplies, . . . . .	5 60
Katherine McHugh, 20 yards ribbon, . . . . .	2 10
	\$90 78

#### *Centre School.*

Mark Mara, labor, paint, glass, etc., . . .	\$13 03
John R. Hartwell, labor, . . . . .	27 05
B. S. Patterson, " and materials, . . .	8 74
Albert Washburn, " " " . . .	38 34
George J. Emmott, " " " (1896) . . .	24 54
Mrs. Thomas Coan, " . . . . .	12 25
Walker & Pratt M'fg Co., balance, (1896) . . .	82 95
N. F. Cousins, outside windows, . . . . .	1 75
	\$208 65

*South School.*

Thomas Coan, labor, . . . . .	\$3 00
N. F. Cousins, " and materials, . . . . .	9 95
J. William Byron, repairing shades, . . . . .	1 50
Everett L. Miner, repairing clock, and setting glass, . . . . .	2 00
Mrs. D. Doherty, washing towels, . . . . .	3 50
E. R. Farrar, fertilizer, . . . . .	2 00
B. S. Patterson, labor and materials, . . . . .	2 70
A. Washburn, " " " . . . . .	6 30
Mrs. Thomas Coan, cleaning schoolhouse, . . . . .	11 00
Magee Furnace Co., repairs, . . . . .	26 80
John P. Boyce, putting on storm windows, . . . . .	75

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 \$69 50

## GENERAL SCHOOL ACCOUNT.

L. T. McKenney, balance of expense, . . . . .	\$8 29
J. L. Hammett Co., books and supplies, . . . . .	97 49
Boston School Supply Co., supplies, . . . . .	12 75
Houghton, Mifflin & Co., . . . . .	8 88
Ginn & Company, books, . . . . .	54 47
W. A. Chamberlain, repairs, . . . . .	7 10
E. M. Drury, set blue prints, photo-micrographs, . . . . .	1 50
Cambridge Botanical Supply Co., 8 note-books, . . . . .	4 00
Hinds & Noble, books, . . . . .	2 25
N. F. Cousins, labor and materials, . . . . .	3 00
H. Sanford Leach, map, . . . . .	2 50
Allyn & Bacon, books, . . . . .	3 75
Samuel Ward Company, supplies, . . . . .	4 00
Silver, Burdett & Co., books, etc., . . . . .	1 15
W. B. Badger & Co., desk, . . . . .	13 95
The Holden Pat. Book Cover Co., book-covers, . . . . .	17 71
Greenough, Adams & Cushing, supplies, . . . . .	3 50
C. M. Barrows & Co., 400 programs, . . . . .	3 75
American Book Co., supplies, . . . . .	7 60
Lincoln Water Works, water, . . . . .	28 00
R. H. Blodgett, supplies, . . . . .	15 63
W. B. Clark & Co., 5 "Macbeth," . . . . .	2 35
E. Dutcher, expressage, . . . . .	1 90
James L. Chapin & Son, supplies for schools, . . . . .	12 13
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	\$317 65

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 \$686 58

Unexpended balance, . . . . .	\$313 42
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## MUSIC IN SCHOOLS.

## RECEIPTS.

Appropriation,	.	.	.	.	.	.	\$200 00
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## PAYMENTS.

F. W. Archibald, teaching,	.	.	.	.	\$250 00	
H. E. Holt, 20 copies revised 2d Music Reader,	.	.	.	.	8 34	
H. E. Holt, one 2d series of charts, with stand,	.	.	.	.	8 34	
H. E. Holt, one 2d charts, with stand,	.	.	.	.	8 34	
H. E. Holt, 14 Second Readers,	.	.	.	.	5 83	
						<u>\$280 85</u>
Receipts brought down,	.	.	.	.		200 00
Expended above appropriation,	.	.	.	.		<u>\$80 85</u>

## Superintendent of Schools.

## RECEIPTS.

Appropriation,	.	.	.	.	\$100 00	
Received from State,	.	.	.	.	250 00	
						<u>\$350 00</u>

## PAYMENTS.

L. T. McKenney, services,	.	.	.	.	\$349 98	
Unexpended balance,	.	.	.	.		<u>02</u>

## Library.

## RECEIPTS.

Appropriation (cash),	.	.	.	.	\$500 00	
" (dog tax, 1896),	.	.	.	.	235 41	
						<u>\$735 41</u>

## PAYMENT.

Samuel Hartwell, Treasurer,	.	.	.	.	\$735 41	
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## Settlement of Claims for Land Near Sandy Pond, taken by the Water Commissioners.

### RECEIPT.

Town appropriation, . . . . .	\$1000 00
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### PAYMENT.

Martha J. Wheeler, . . . . .	\$163 54
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Unexpended balance, . . . . .	\$836 46
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## Public Improvement Committee.

### RECEIPT.

Appropriation, . . . . .	\$100 00
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### PAYMENTS.

Smith & Ludden, drafting opinion upon the law in relation to shade and ornamental trees standing in public ways, . . . . .	\$20 00
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Unexpended balance, . . . . .	\$80 00
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## Board of Health.

### RECEIPT.

Appropriation, . . . . .	\$100 00
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### PAYMENTS.

Henry S. Jones, disinfecting Monohan house,	\$4 21
Geo. E. Crosby & Co., 150 postals and printing, . . . . .	3 25
Geo. E. Crosby & Co., placards, notice of meeting, . . . . .	1 50
Goo. E. Crosby & Co., 200 cards, measles and diphtheria, . . . . .	2 00
M. W. Kidder, services, . . . . .	25 00
M. W. Kidder, expense, . . . . .	3 50
Joseph S. Hart, services, . . . . .	25 00
National Express Co., express, . . . . .	25
Samuel H. Pierce, services, . . . . .	10 00
	\$74 71

Unexpended balance, . . . . .	\$25 19
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## Cemeteries.

## RECEIPTS.

Appropriation,	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	\$300 00
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## PAYMENTS.

Thomas Groom & Co., ledgers and lettering,	\$5 00
Shady Hill Nurseries, shrubs, . . . .	63 05
Lincoln Water Works, labor and materials,	2 85
A. Washburn, labor and materials, . .	67 85
W. Connors, labor, . . . . .	46 00
Michael Stanley, labor, . . . . .	8 75
Herbert E. Barnes, labor and expense, .	90 60
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	\$284 10
Unexpended balance, . . . . .	<hr/> \$15 90

## Village Improvement.

## RECEIPTS.

Appropriation,	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	\$100 00
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## PAYMENTS.

Edward Ryan, mowing common, . . . .	\$15 75
Unexpended balance, . . . . .	<hr/> \$84 25

## Military Aid.

## RECEIPTS.

Appropriation, . . . . .	\$48 00
Reimbursement from State, . . . .	48 00
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	\$96 00

## PAYMENTS.

Thomas Lynagh, . . . . .	\$8 00
Catherine Lynah, (State aid,) . . . .	40 00
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	\$48 00
Unexpended balance, . . . . .	<hr/> \$48 00



## PAYMENTS.

T. Wilber Smith, lighting lamps 36 nights to March 27, . . . . .	\$9 00	
T. Wilber Smith, painting posts, . . .	75	
E. Dutcher, lighting lamps nine months, .	48 75	
“ “ freight, carting oil and express, .	4 67	
Globe Gas Light Company, 5 bbls. naphtha,	26 35	
“ “ “ “ 5 empty barrels, .	7 50	
“ “ “ “ box glass for lamps, .	4 50	
	<hr/>	\$101 52
Unexpended balance, . . . . .		<hr/> \$48 48

## Water Works.

## ON ACCOUNT OF NEW WORKS.

## RECEIPTS.

Sale of 10 bonds, . . . . .	\$10,000 00	
Premium on Bonds, . . . . .	669 00	
Accrued interest, . . . . .	32 22	
	<hr/>	\$10,701 22

## PAYMENTS.

Jas. W. Blackmer, surveying for pipe line, .	\$36 00	
M. J. Drummond, for pipe, . . . . .	4,354 78	
Zenas G. Smith, for hauling pipe, . . .	25 43	
Robert Ellsworth, for hauling pipe, etc., .	182 26	
Chapman Valve M'fg. Co., hydrants, gates and supplies, . . . . .	627 28	
Margaret A. Collins, copying contract, bonds, etc., . . . . .	6 84	
John T. Langford, laying pipes, setting hydrants, labor at reservoir, etc. .	2,506 60	
Walter H. Sears, services as civil engineer,	700 00	
Freight, . . . . .	697 18	
George F. Newton, on account of plan for pumping station at Sandy Pond, .	150 00	
	<hr/>	\$9,286 37

## WARNER'S EXTENSION.

M. J. Drummond, for pipe, castings, freight, etc., . . . . .	\$235 41	
Chapman Valve Mfg. Co., hydrants, etc.,	43 82	
Fitchburg R. R., freight on castings from Boston, . . . . .	2 37	
Charles C. Brown, laying pipe, etc., . . . . .	276 42	
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		\$9,844 39
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Unexpended balance, . . . . .		\$856 83

## New Road Near Wm. S. Briggs'.

## RECEIPTS.

Appropriation, . . . . .	\$600 00
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## PAYMENTS.

Albert E. Wood, surveying, plans, ex- pense, etc., . . . . .	\$42 00	
Roger Sherman, labor, etc., in full, . . . . .	450 00	
Herbert E. Barnes, 455 loads of gravel, . . . . .	22 75	
Thomas L. Giles, services as Inspector, . . . . .	42 00	
Geo. J. Barker Lumber Co., lumber for railing, . . . . .	4 76	
W. H. Sherman, materials and labor fenc- ing, . . . . .	22 35	
	<hr/>	\$583 86
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Unexpended balance, . . . . .		\$16 14

## Decoration Day.

## RECEIPTS.

Appropriation, . . . . .	\$25 00
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## PAYMENTS.

E. D. Martell, dinner for G. A. R., . . . . .	\$25 00	
Helen Weston, services, . . . . .	5 00	
Estella Sherman, " . . . . .	5 00	
Herbert E. Barnes, carrying Mr. Archibald to Waltham, . . . . .	1 00	
Silver, Burdett & Company, music, . . . . .	2 25	
	<hr/>	\$38 25
Appropriation brought down, . . . . .		25 00
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Expended above appropriation, . . . . .		\$13 25

## Paul Revere Tablet.

## RECEIPTS.

Appropriation, . . . . .	\$100 00
Unexpended, . . . . .	100 00

## Committee on Claims.

## RECEIPTS.

From appropriation on Counsel Fees, . . . . .	\$950 75
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## PAYMENTS.

Smith & Ludden in case of Town of Lincoln v. Burnham et als. for services, . . . . .	\$50 00
Same, in suits of Israel G. Whitney et al. v. Lincoln. Collector v. Israel G. Whitney et al. Same v. Same, etc., relating to taxes of 1894, 1895 and 1896. Consultations, etc., for services, . . . . .	150 00
For cash disbursements, . . . . .	6 00
Same, in matter of the petition of Cambridge to lay out a road in Lincoln on the west side of the reservoir. Services, . . . . .	175 00
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Amount carried forward, . . . . .	\$381 00

<i>Amount brought forward,</i>		\$381 00
Same, in the matter of the petition to the Supreme Judicial Court by the City of Cambridge for a writ of certiorari to quash the laying out of the said road, for services,	250 00	
Cash disbursements,	44 80	
Same, in case of Julien de Cordova v. Lincoln for abatement of tax assessed in 1894, for services,	25 00	
Cash disbursements,	90 56	
Case unfinished.		
Same, for drafting, etc., in relation to by- laws and Town seal, for services,	75 00	
Cash disbursements,	208 80	
Same, for attendance at meetings of Com- mittee on Claims, and miscellaneous advice,	25 00	
	<hr/>	\$1,100 16
For services of engineer,	\$375 00	
“ expenses, “	8 75	
	<hr/>	\$383 75
For surveys, etc., and expense on account of same,	387 18	
	<hr/>	\$1,871 09
In case of Francis Smith v. Town of Lincoln, cash paid for witness fees,	\$78 60	
Service and expense in obtaining evidence in said case,	43 00	
	<hr/>	\$121 60
	<hr/>	\$1,992 69
Receipt brought down,	950 75	
	<hr/>	\$1,041 94

### Payment of Water Bond, Due Dec. 1, 1897.

#### RECEIPT.

Appropriation, . . . . . \$1,000 00

#### PAYMENT.

Lincoln Water Bond, due Dec. 1, 1897, . . . \$1,000 00

### Temporary Loans.

Middlesex Institution for Savings, note dated March 15, 1895, for two years,	\$10,000 00
Middlesex Institution for Savings, balance of note due Jan. 11, 1897, . . .	2,000 00
Middlesex Institution for Savings, note dated March 25, 1897, . . .	4,000 00
National Bank of the Commonwealth, note dated May 29, 1897, . . .	5,000 00
Middlesex Institution for Savings, note dated April 7, 1897, . . .	10,000 00
Appropriation for payment of temporary loans, . . . . .	2,000 00
	<hr/> \$33,000 00

#### PAYMENTS OF TEMPORARY LOANS HAVE BEEN MADE AS FOLLOWS.

Middlesex Institution for Savings, note dated March 15, 1895, for 2 years, .	\$10,000 00
Middlesex Institution for Savings, balance of note due Jan. 11, 1897, . . .	2,000 00
Middlesex Institution for Savings, note dated March 25, 1897, . . .	4,000 00
National Bank of the Commonwealth, note dated May 29, 1897, . . .	5,000 00
	<hr/> \$21,000 00
	<hr/> \$12,000 00
Less Town Appropriation for payment of loans,	2,000 00
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Temporary Loan unpaid, . . . . .	\$10,000 00

### Interest Account.

#### RECEIPTS.

Town Appropriation, . . . . .	\$700 00
Interest on Water Bonds from Water Com- missioners, . . . . .	920 00
	<hr/> \$1,620 00

## PAYMENTS.

Interest on Water Bonds, . . .	\$920 00	
Interest on temporary loans, . . .	675 96	
Discount on \$5,000 note, . . .	\$81 25	
	<hr/>	\$1,677 21
Receipts brought down, . . .		1,620 00
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Expended above receipts, . . .		\$57 21

## Statement of Town Debt.

Middlesex Institution for Savings, note dated April 7, 1897, for 5 years,	\$10,000 00
Seventeen Water Bonds of \$1,000 each, \$1,000 due annually for seventeen years, at 4 per cent. interest, . . .	17,000 00
Ten Water Bonds, \$1,000 each for 20 years, at 4 per cent., . . .	10,000 00
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	\$37,000 00

## Repairs on Town House.

## PAYMENTS.

W. A. Chamberlain, labor and materials,	\$152 11	
W. A. Chamberlain, cash for roofers and stock, . . . . .	\$73 40	
W. A. Chamberlain, car fares, . . .	6 50	
P. McWalter, labor, . . . . .	168 64	
P. McWalter, stock, freight and teaming,	46 36	
M. L. Hatch, labor and materials, . . .	34 01	
Mark Mara, labor and paint, . . . . .	5 83	
	<hr/>	\$486 85

## Highways and Bridges.

## RECEIPT.

Appropriation, . . . . .	\$4,000 00
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## PAYMENTS.

Highway Surveyor's orders, . . . . .	\$3,997 50
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Unexpended balance, . . . . .	\$2 50

## Miscellaneous Expenses.

## RECEIPTS.

Appropriation, . . . . .	\$2,000 00	
From counsel fees, . . . . .	49 25	
“ State on account of Inspector of animals, (2 years), . . . . .	112 50	
“ rent of Hall, . . . . .	20 00	
“ sale of East schoolhouse, . . . . .	12 00	
“ sale of trunk, . . . . .	3 00	
“ slaughter-house license, . . . . .	1 00	
	<hr/>	\$2,197 75

## PAYMENTS.

Smith & Ludden, in relation to laying out and discontinuing roads for service, . . . . .	20 00	
For expense on account of same, . . . . .	2 25	
“ services settling claim of Roger Sherman, . . . . .	10 00	
Services Commonwealth v. Ellsworth, . . . . .	10 00	
Services drafting contract for stone crusher, . . . . .	5 00	
Services drafting partial release of Stratton mortgage, . . . . .	2 00	
E. Dutcher, washing two hose, . . . . .	3 50	
Thomas Groom & Co., rubber check stamp, . . . . .	1 00	
“ “ “ Books, \$6, copying press, \$7; stand, \$10, . . . . .	23 00	
Thomas Groom & Co., Collectors tax and cash books, . . . . .	3 00	
Charles S. Wheeler, Collector, abatement of 40 poll taxes, . . . . .	80 00	
Charles S. Wheeler, Collector, abatement of property tax, . . . . .	70	
Wm. H. Sherman, services as assessor, . . . . .	40 00	
Wm. H. Sherman, moving ashes, etc., . . . . .	2 00	
Wm. C. Peirce, services as Assessor, . . . . .	35 00	
Wm. C. Peirce, services copying books, . . . . .	15 00	
Geo. M. Baker, services as assessor in 1896, . . . . .	15 00	
John R. Hartwell, 3 tons coal for Town House, . . . . .	18 60	
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Amount carried forward, . . . . .	\$286 05	



<i>Amount brought forward,</i> . . . . .	\$286 05
John R. Hartwell, $\frac{1}{2}$ cord wood cut and - housed, . . . . .	3 50
John R. Hartwell, cleaning around Town House, . . . . .	7 00
Frank M. Dempsey, services as Constable,	13 00
Edward Bannon, " " .	2 00
Wright & Potter Printing Co., blank returns of property, . . . . .	78
F. E. Cousins, 20 tons furnace coal at \$6.20,	124 00
Lincoln Water Works, Water at Town House, . . . . .	10 00
Lincoln Water Works, at 43 hydrants, .	215 00
" " " at 3 water troughs,	105 00
Waltham Tribune Co., 700 tax bills, .	2 50
Albert E. Wood, surveying South Great Road, . . . . .	70 00
M. M. Welch, storing hose carriage 2 years,	20 00
George E. Crosby & Co., printing Town Reports, . . . . .	130 00
George E. Crosby & Co., printing Warrants,	11 00
" " " " Stationery,	5 00
" " " " By - Laws,	25 00
" " " " 10 Bonds,	15 00
" " " " Notices, etc.	14 50
Samuel Hartwell, services as Selectman, .	100 00
" " " " Overseer of the Poor, . . . . .	25 00
Samuel Hartwell, services as Registrar, .	10 00
" " postage and stationery,	5 00
" " attendance at Court at Hearings of County Commissioners and various expenses as per bill, .	30 35
Roger Sherman, services as Inspector of Cattle, etc., 1 year, . . . . .	185 00
John F. Farrar, services as Selectman, .	60 00
" " " " Overseer of the Poor, . . . . .	25 00
<i>Amount carried forward,</i> . . . . .	\$1,499 68

<i>Amount brought forward,</i>	\$1,499 68
John F. Farrar, services as Constable 2 years,	30 00
John F. Farrar, services as Registrar,	10 00
“ “ “ “ Fire Ward, '96,	5 00
“ “ journey to Tewksbury,	5 00
“ “ services at Central Court,	5 59
William S. Briggs, services as Selectman,	60 00
“ “ “ “ Overseer of Poor,	25 00
William S. Briggs, services as Registrar,	10 00
Lorenzo E. Brooks, “ “ Constable,	55 00
“ “ expense “ “	2 50
“ “ services and expense at Central Court,	31 54
Charles S. Wheeler, services as Assessor,	50 00
“ “ “ “ Paymaster State Road,	25 00
Charles S. Wheeler, collecting tax of 1896,	330 17
“ “ attending probate court,	3 60
“ “ services as Treasurer,	125 00
“ “ stationery, postage, expressage and telephoning,	11 00
Mrs. James Roach, abatement of tax on real estate,	3 50
Wm. L. G. Peirce, services as Ballot Clerk,	4 00
Thomas L. Giles, “ “ “ “	4 00
John F. Farrar, “ “ Constable, Nov. 2,	4 00
Wm. Barrett, Agt., Insurance on Town House,	67 20
Herbert E. Barnes, returning 10 deaths,	2 50
James L. Chapin, services as Town Clerk,	73 50
“ “ “ “ Registrar,	15 00
“ “ sealing scales,	2 00
“ “ expense,	1 95
“ “ & Son, supplies for Town House,	18 20
James L. Chapin & Son, supplies for State Highway,	1 57
<i>Amount carried forward,</i>	\$2,481 50

<i>Amount brought forward,</i>	.	.	.	\$2,481	50
George L. Chapin, care of Town House,	.	.	.	125	00
Samuel H. Pierce, services as Committee					
on State Highway,	.	.	.	25	00
Thomas L. Giles, trip to Waltham,	.	.	.	1	00
John F. Farrar, services as Committee on					
State Highway,	.	.	.	25	00
L. E. Brooks, services as Committee on					
State Highway,	.	.	.	25	00
Charles S. Wheeler, abatement of taxes of					
George Wright for 1895 and 1896,					
(Sudbury River),	.	.	.	5	76
Charles S. Wheeler, abatement of tax of					
Julien de Cordova, by County Commis-					
sioners for year 1896,	.	.	.	20	00
William L. G. Peirce, services as Auditor,				12	00
Charles S. Wheeler, Collector, abatement of					
tax of Emeline Wheeler for 1897,	.	.	.	3	75
				<hr/>	\$2,724 01
Receipts brought down,	.	.	.	2,197	75
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Expended above receipts,	.	.	.	\$526	26

## Recapitulation.

SELECTMEN'S ORDERS FROM FEB. 1, 1897, TO FEB. 1, 1898.

For Schools, . . . . .	\$5,539 62
School Superintendent, . . . . .	349 98
Library, . . . . .	735 41
Cemeteries, . . . . .	284 10
Temporary Loans, . . . . .	21,000 00
Interest, . . . . .	1,677 21
Support of Poor, . . . . .	842 54
Military and State Aid, . . . . .	48 00
Highways and Bridges . . . . .	3,997 50
Village Improvement, . . . . .	15 75
Street Lamp̄s, . . . . .	101 52
Decoration Day, . . . . .	38 25
Miscellaneous Expenses, . . . . .	2,724 01
Extension of Water Works, (War- ner's), . . . . .	558 02
Payment of Water Bond, Due Dec. 1, 1897, . . . . .	1,000 00
State Road, . . . . .	3,250 80
Public Improvement, . . . . .	20 00
Counsel Fees, etc., by Committee on Claims, . . . . .	1,992 69
Board of Health . . . . .	74 71
New Road near Wm. S. Briggs, . . . . .	583 86
Settlement of Claims of Land near Sandy Pond, . . . . .	163 54
Main Water Works and Station, . . . . .	9,286 37
Repairs on Town House, . . . . .	486 85
	—————\$54,770 73

## JURY LIST.

The Selectmen present the following names of men qualified to serve as jurors for the ensuing year :

George H. Hoar,	Herbert J. Harrington,
Charles S. Smith,	Charles E. Nelson,
Clarence A. Brooks,	James B. Wheeler,
Charles P. Farnsworth,	Louis H. Whitney,
James T. Calkins,	Edwin B. Rice,
John F. Farrar,	Ephraim B. Flint,
Albert A. Cook,	John R. Hartwell,
Martin M. Welch,	Charles S. Wheeler,
John T. McGuire.	

SAMUEL HARTWELL,	} <i>Selectmen</i>
JOHN F. FARRAR,	
WILLIAM S. BRIGGS,	
	<i>of</i>
	<i>Lincoln.</i>

LINCOLN, Feb. 12, 1898.

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**ERRATUM.** By mistake, on page 9, one paragraph at the end of the copy of the warrant was omitted in printing. The original warrant as posted and served ends with the following clause :

“And you are directed to serve this warrant by posting an attested copy thereof at each of the Post Offices, and in one of the churches, or one other public place, within the town, not less than seven days before the day appointed for such meeting and to make seasonable return thereof, with your doings thereon, to the Town Clerk. Hereof fail not.

Dated at Lincoln this twelfth day of February, in the year of our Lord, one thousand eight hundred and ninety-eight.”



## Report of the Committee on Claims.

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The Committee on Claims which was chosen for the second time at the last annual town meeting, presents the following report:

The committee has found considerable work to do during the year, as a number of controversies were left over from last year in an unsettled condition, and several new matters have arisen which required its attention. The tax cases, which have been a source of annoyance to the town, are now all disposed of with one exception, which is mentioned later in this report. We think it is fortunate that the town is no longer given undue prominence by reason of contests with tax-payers.

Nearly all the matters coming before the committee during the year have related in some way to the water works. Several cases have arisen from the taking of land around the shores of the pond by the water board March 10, 1896. These cases are not of a serious character, as they are brought principally to preserve the rights of the owners to recover the value of their land, because the law is so framed that their right to compensation would lapse if suit is not brought within one year from the date of the taking. Compromises have been or can be made in most of these cases. The important controversies, however, have been those which involved the rights of the town to the waters of the pond. As is well known, the town of Concord held a meeting January 25, 1896, for the express purpose of authorizing its water board to proceed against the town of Lincoln on account of our taking and use of the water. One of the first duties which the committee undertook upon coming into existence two years ago, was to collect all possible evidence and statistics necessary or useful in defending ourselves against future assaults upon our rights in the water. We expected that the first attack would come from the town of Concord; but the case of Francis Smith against Lincoln, which was a writ of entry brought for the purpose of taking the engine house lot away from the town, is the first instance where those rights have been actually disputed in the courts. This case is explained later in the report. It is sufficient to say here that

the committee has regarded all controversies relating to the rights of the town in Sandy pond as of the utmost importance, and has used every proper means to protect the interests and property of the town in its water works.

The committee makes the following detailed statement as to what it has done about the various matters submitted to it by the town :

1. *The Town of Lincoln v. The County Commissioners of Middlesex.*

This is the petition which was referred to in our last report as pending in the Supreme Judicial Court to quash the proceedings of the County Commissioners in abating a personal tax assessed by Lincoln in 1894 upon the Thomas Dana estate, of which Julian de Cordova is the surviving trustee.

This is the last of the tax cases which have been submitted to the committee, and is the only one remaining unsettled. The rights of the town are fully protected by the filing of the petition and the case can be called up at any time.

2. *Francis Smith v. The Town of Lincoln.*

This suit was pending at the time of the last annual report and its nature is there described. Suffice it to say here that it is an action by which Smith seeks to obtain possession of the engine house and lot of land upon which the engine house is situated.

During the last year the case has come to trial ; first, before an auditor appointed by the Superior Court, who made a report in favor of the town upon every issue, and again before a jury of the Superior Court, who rendered a general verdict in favor of the town, and also three special verdicts declaring that the town had obtained a prescriptive right in both the waters of Sandy pond and the land occupied by the engine house. The case has been taken on exceptions by Smith to the Supreme Judicial Court where it has been argued fully by counsel upon both sides before the full bench. Sufficient time has not elapsed, however, since the arguments to obtain a final decision.

It was developed at the trial of this case that the principal ground upon which Smith relied was the claim that the town had no right to build or maintain a system of water works, inasmuch as a formal taking of the waters of Sandy pond was not made in 1874 or 1875 when the works were started. It was contended

that, inasmuch as the town had no right to use the water at all, it could not as an incident to such use take and hold land for the building of the engine house or reservoir. The same argument would deny the right to borrow money and to issue bonds for water purposes. Realizing the importance of the case and the vital questions involved, the committee authorized the regular counsel of the town to procure additional counsel and the case has been defended with all the vigor and thoroughness possible. The disastrous consequences of an adverse decision, if it should involve a denial of the right of the town to the [waters of Sandy pond, cannot be overestimated. The committee has expended, and believes it was justified in expending, a large amount of money in the defence of this suit. The town has never had any litigation of greater importance, because we have reason to believe from the action of Concord at its meeting January 25, 1896, that if the Supreme Court should decide against the town upon the ground that we have no right to the water, Concord would immediately assert an exclusive title to the pond and also demand large money damages from the town. In any event, whether or not the town ultimately maintained its title to the water, an adverse decision would probably invite years of costly litigation.

### 3. *Francis Smith v. The Town of Lincoln.*

This is another suit by the same plaintiff for the purpose of recovering damages for the taking of certain land by the town March 10, 1896, for water purposes. This suit was begun at just about the date of the last annual meeting, and has not yet in the course of law come to trial.

### 4. *Charles S. Smith v. The Town of Lincoln.*

This is a petition for the assessment of damages brought at the same time as the preceding petition and for the same purpose. Like the preceding case it has not yet come to trial. No propositions of settlement in either of these cases have been made to the committee.

### 5. *Edna G. Calef v. The Town of Lincoln.*

This is a petition for the assessment of damages for land taken upon the shores of Sandy pond by the town March 10, 1896. The petition was filed in the Superior Court of Middlesex County March 8, 1897, the notice thereon being returnable May 3, 1897.



The case is now upon the trial list of the Superior Court and may be disposed of at the present sitting. The petitioner has made certain propositions of settlement and the committee has made other propositions, but the parties have not yet agreed, although it is possible that they may do so.

6. *Helen V. V. Warren v. The Town of Lincoln.*

This is another petition growing out of the same taking of land for water purposes. The petition was filed in the Superior Court for Middlesex County February 25, 1897, and the notice thereon was returnable April 5, 1897. This case and the following were dealt with together by the committee and an adjustment has been reached in both of them which is explained below.

7. *George G. Tarbell v. The Town of Lincoln.*

This case is also a petition for the assessment of damages arising out of the taking of land above mentioned. The petition was filed in the Superior Court for Middlesex County February 26, 1897, and the notice thereon was returnable May 3, 1897. This case and the preceding have been considered by your committee together. It was agreed by the counsel representing the two petitioners and the counsel for the town that the damages occasioned by the taking in each case should be assessed by this committee. Accordingly the committee gave notice to the parties and a hearing was held in which the members of the committee sat as referees. It was claimed by each of the petitioners at the hearing that the taking of land by the town greatly damaged their respective estates, inasmuch as access to the pond might be cut off thereby. Apparently these were the only cases of those arising under the taking by the water board of March 10, 1896, where it could be fairly claimed that the takings affected injuriously the value of the contiguous estates, and the committee felt that they stood upon somewhat different footing than the takings of ordinary wood land. In the Tarbell case there were really two takings; one of a strip of land bordering on Sandy pond at the foot of his estate, and the other of a strip of land on the shore of a detached wood lot. The taking from the wood lot did not damage the remainder of it, but the claim was urged that the other taking greatly diminished the value of the contiguous estate.

The counsel for Dr. Tarbell claimed that \$3,000 should be awarded as damages, and the counsel for Mrs. Warren claimed the sum of \$1,500. These claims were made largely because of fear that the town might arbitrarily cut off the owners of the property from access to the pond. It seemed to the committee possible to remove this danger and at the same time preserve all the rights which the town had taken in the land for the purpose of preserving the purity of the water; and the suggestion was accordingly made to the petitioners that the matter be compromised by the town retaining all rights in the land necessary to protect the purity of the water, but releasing all other rights. It has finally been agreed between the committee and the petitioners, subject of course to the vote of the town, that the town shall retain, in a strip fifty feet wide above high-water mark on the shore of the pond, all rights and easements relating to the preservation of the purity of the water, but shall release to the petitioners all other rights, such as possible rights of flowage, etc., and shall permit the owners of the property to have access to the water, and in general to make any use of the land which is not inconsistent with the purposes for which it is held by the town, and which may be permitted from time to time by the water board. The damages agreed upon, in the event that this compromise is made, are \$300 in the Tarbell case and \$150 in the Warren case. These sums include the court costs and expenses.

The committee recommend that this compromise be made by the town, and the necessary votes be passed which will enable the selectmen and water board to carry it into effect. An appropriate article for that purpose has been inserted in the warrant.

#### 8. *By-Laws.*

There was also imposed upon the committee the duty of drafting by-laws for the town. The committee has attended to that duty. By-laws were drafted and adopted by the town at a meeting held March 1, 1897, and afterward they were submitted upon petition to the Superior Court, by which they were formally approved June 19, 1897. They were then published a newspaper, and since that they have been operative within the limits of the town.



The principal subject covered by the by-laws is finances. The committee endeavored to institute a system of keeping the accounts of the town which is simple and, at the same time, accurate. This they believe they have succeeded in doing.

In view of the unsettled controversies which are now pending, the committee believes that it is advantageous to choose a committee on claims under section three of article six of the by-laws for the ensuing year. The propositions and suggestions which have been made between the parties in the various controversies which are now pending may result in nothing if a change is made at present in the method of handling these cases.

Respectfully submitted,

CHARLES F. ADAMS,  
WILLIAM S. BRIGGS,  
CHARLES S. WHEELER.

## Report of the Committee on Public Improvements.

The Committee on Public Improvements respectfully submit the following report:

During the past year a row of trees has been set out under the direction of the committee, on the new cut-off road between the village of Lincoln and the railway station. Last summer was remarkably favorable for setting out trees, and there is every reason to believe that the small amount done by the committee at the point indicated will hereafter produce satisfactory results.

In relation to the proposed memorial on the Lexington road, to indicate the spot where Paul Revere is supposed to have been captured on the morning of the 19th of April, the committee would report that the erection of the memorial was not to take place until the portion of the state highway, within the limits of the town, had been finished. This work was not completed until November last, when the season was so far advanced that the committee concluded further action might well be deferred until spring.

An examination of the records shows that Paul Revere was not captured at the point indicated, but that he and Dr. Prescott were there encountered by a small crowd of British soldiers stationed at an opening in the fence. Paul Revere was detained. Dr. Prescott, without dismounting, leaped the low stone wall into the adjoining field, from which he tried to make a passage through the woods below. He here encountered a part of the British force by which he was detained. Neither Paul Revere nor Dr. Prescott complained of harsh or inconsiderate treatment. They would appear simply to have been detained as a matter of precaution.

Whether, under these circumstances, a memorial at the point indicated is altogether desirable is matter for the consideration of the town. It would simply appear that at this point the celebrated ride of Paul Revere may be said to have terminated.

The committee would ask that the sum of \$100 be put at its disposal to be applied to such work as the committee may deem it expedient to undertake during the coming town year.

Respectfully submitted,

CHARLES F. ADAMS, }  
S. H. PIERCE, } *Committee.*

## REPORT OF ASSESSORS.

The Board of Assessors submit the following report :

Number of residents assessed on property . . . . .	223
“ “ non-residents assessed on property . . . . .	84
“ assessed on polls only . . . . .	172
“ of acres of land assessed . . . . .	8,736
“ “ dwelling-houses assessed . . . . .	185
“ “ horses assessed . . . . .	397
“ “ cows assessed . . . . .	698
“ “ neat cattle other than cows assessed . . . . .	77
“ “ swine assessed . . . . .	351
“ “ fowls “ . . . . .	4,750

Value of land, exclusive of buildings, \$395,778 00

“ “ buildings, exclusive of land, 428,045 00

“ “ real estate . . . . . \$823,823 00

“ “ personal estate . . . . . 1,041,454 00

Total valuation . . . . . \$1,865,277 00

State Tax . . . . . \$1,610 00

Sudbury River Tax . . . . . 18 22

County Tax . . . . . 2,178 74

Town Grants . . . . . 20,023 00

Overlayings . . . . . 110 00

Total . . . . . \$23,939 96

Assessed on Personal Estate . . . . . \$13,018 17

“ “ Real Estate . . . . . 10,297 79

“ “ Polls . . . . . 624 00

Total . . . . . \$23,939 96

Abatements . . . . . \$9 75

CHARLES S. WHEELER,  
WM. C. PEIRCE,  
WM. H. SHERMAN,  
*Assessors.*

# RESIDENT TAX-PAYERS.

Name of Residents.	Aggregate Value of Personal Estate.	Total Tax on Personal Estate.	Aggregate Value of Real Estate.	Total Tax on Real Estate.	Total Cash Tax on Personal and Real Estate.
Adams, Charles F.	\$155,080	\$1,938 50	\$50,000	\$625 00	\$2,563 50
Adams, John, Estate of	7,284	91 05	.....	.....	91 05
Adams, J. Frank	3,595	44 94	3,000	37 50	82 44
Adams, J. Q., trustee	22,220	277 75	.....	.....	277 75
Baker, George M.	1,000	12 50	4,215	52 69	65 19
Baker, George M., trustee	625	7 82	.....	.....	7 82
Baker, James E.	3,265	40 82	50	63	41 45
Baker, Walter F.	1,270	15 88	7,500	93 75	109 63
Bamforth, Mrs. Chas. S.	50	63	1,500	18 75	19 38
Bannon, Edward	.....	.....	1,600	20 00	20 00
Barnes, Herbert E.	1,325	16 57	8,500	106 25	122 82
Bean, George H., Estate of	.....	.....	1,660	20 75	20 75
Bean, George N.	235	2 94	2,700	33 75	36 69
Bemis, Julia A.	61,539	769 24	3,000	37 50	806 74
Benjamin, Wm. O.	25	32	3,300	41 25	41 57
Bent, Israel A.	75	94	.....	.....	94
Bent, Sarah S.	.....	.....	2,000	25 00	25 00
Blodgett, Minnie P.	.....	.....	14,000	175 00	175 00
Blodgett, Warren K., trustee	33,152	414 40	.....	.....	414 40
Boyce, John	905	11 32	6,000	75 00	86 32
Bradley, Edward E.	150	1 88	.....	.....	1 88
Bragg, James	8	10	.....	.....	10
Briggs, Laura F.	.....	.....	3,500	43 75	43 75
Briggs, Wm. S.	490	6 13	.....	.....	6 13

Brooks, Aaron, Heirs of	.	.	.	.	.	2,400	30 00	30 00
Brooks, Albert S.	.	.	.	.	545	5,100	63 75	70 57
Brooks, Levi F.	.	.	.	.	20	1,050	13 13	13 38
Brooks, Lorenzo E.	.	.	.	.	200	4,260	53 25	55 75
Browning, Geo. W.	.	.	.	.	575	2,000	25 00	32 19
Browning, Mrs. Sarah	.	.	.	.	400	.....	.....	5 00
Burgess, John A.	.	.	.	.	60	.....	.....	75
Burnett, Mary	.	.	.	.	.....	500	6 25	6 25
Burnham, John A., trustee	.	.	.	.	375,000	.....	.....	4,687 50
Bulger, Martin	.	.	.	.	540	4,000	50 00	56 75
Butcher, James A.	.	.	.	.	260	4,200	52 50	55 75
Cahill, Annie	.	.	.	.	290	2,500	31 25	34 88
Calkins, James T.	.	.	.	.	195	1,300	16 25	18 69
Campbell, Ellen M.	.	.	.	.	3,150	7,500	93 75	133 13
Chapin, Emily F.	.	.	.	.	537	500	6 25	12 97
Chapin, George L.	.	.	.	.	.....	3,500	43 75	43 75
Chapin, Henry C., Estate of	.	.	.	.	.....	2,500	31 25	31 25
Chapin, James L.	.	.	.	.	220	4,500	56 25	59 00
Chapin & Son, James L.	.	.	.	.	1,000	.....	.....	12 50
Clark, Mrs. J. W.	.	.	.	.	325	.....	.....	4 07
Coan, Thomas	.	.	.	.	270	2,000	25 00	28 38
Codman, Ogden	.	.	.	.	3,475	50,000	625 00	668 44
Connott, Truatt	.	.	.	.	155	1,200	15 00	16 94
Conway, Rosanna	.	.	.	.	390	1,500	18 75	23 63
Cook, Abbie M.	.	.	.	.	.....	4,500	56 25	56 25
Cook Bros.	.	.	.	.	440	14,500	181 25	186 75
Cook, Isaac B.	.	.	.	.	480	4,000	50 00	56 00
Corrigan, Peter	.	.	.	.	70	1,500	18 75	19 63
Cousins, Ann E.	.	.	.	.	.....	3,300	41 25	41 25
Cousins, Fred. E.	.	.	.	.	1,335	.....	.....	16 69



Name of Residents.		Aggregate Value of Personal Estate.	Total Tax on Personal Estate.	Aggregate Value of Real Estate.	Total Tax on Real Estate.	Total Cash Tax on Personal and Real Estate.
Cousins, Geo. L.	.	355	4 44	.....	.....	4 44
Cousins, Nathaniel F.	.	165	2 07	1,200	15 00	17 07
Craven, Patrick	.	.....	.....	400	5 00	5 00
Cunningham, Geo. B.	.	500	6 25	3,000	37 50	43 75
Curry, John	.	80	1 00	1,000	12 50	13 50
Dana, Elizabeth	.	.	.	.	.	.
De Cordova, Mary E. D.	.	950	11 88	18,000	225 00	236 88
De Cordova, Julian	.	.	.	.	.	.
Dee, John	.	400	5 00	2,500	31 25	36 25
Delehanty, Richard	.	130	1 63	1,000	12 50	14 13
Dempsey, Frank M.	.	650	8 13	2,500	31 25	39 38
Dempsey, Michael	.	140	1 75	1,000	12 50	14 25
Dodge, Katie F. P.	.	25	32	3,200	40 00	40 32
Dougherty, Andrew J.	.	390	4 88	1,600	20 00	24 88
Dougherty, Dennis	.	58	73	1,500	18 75	19 48
Driscoll, John J.	.	200	2 50	1,650	20 63	23 13
Dutcher, Edwin	.	100	1 25	.....	.....	1 25
Ehlert, Albert	.	50	63	1,500	18 75	19 38
Ellsworth, Matthew	.	670	8 38	3,000	37 50	45 88
Eveleth, Julius E.	.	1,325	16 57	11,160	139 50	156 07
Farnsworth, Chas. P.	.	340	4 25	.....	.....	4 25
Farrar, Edward R.	.	400	5 00	9,034	113 30	118 30
Farrar, Herbert W.	.	90	1 13	1,000	12 50	13 63
Farrar, John F.	.	250	3 13	2,000	25 00	28 13
Farrar, John W.	.	75	94	4,300	53 75	54 69

First Parish . . . . .	330	.....	.....	3,500	43 75	43 75
Fitzgerald, Wm. . . . .	.....	.....	4 13	1,200	15 00	19 13
Fleming, John . . . . .	.....	.....	.....	300	3 75	3 75
Flint, Edward F. . . . .	175	.....	2 19	1,500	18 75	20 94
Flint, George . . . . .	63,390	.....	792 38	17,010	212 62	1,005 00
Flynn, John . . . . .	350	.....	4 38	1,500	18 75	23 13
Foster, Helen F. . . . .	.....	.....	.....	4,000	50 00	50 00
Giles, Thomas L. . . . .	.....	.....	.....	1,700	21 25	21 25
Gould, Lucinda, Heirs of . . . . .	.....	.....	.....	1,455	18 19	18 19
Hagar, Mary A. . . . .	.....	.....	.....	50	63	63
Hall, Ella E. . . . .	.....	.....	.....	3,000	37 50	37 50
Ham, Hepsebah . . . . .	.....	.....	.....	2,500	31 25	31 25
Ham, Thomas F. . . . .	100	.....	1 25	.....	.....	1 25
Harding, Wm. . . . .	.....	.....	.....	1,500	18 75	18 75
Harrington, George F. . . . .	385	.....	4 82	5,730	71 63	76 45
Harrington, Herbert J. . . . .	410	.....	5 13	.....	.....	5 13
Hart, Alice D. . . . .	175	.....	2 19	.....	.....	2 19
Hart, Joseph S. . . . .	250	.....	3 13	12,700	158 75	161 88
Hartwell, John R. . . . .	915	.....	11 44	4,000	50 00	61 44
Hartwell, Julia W. . . . .	630	.....	7 88	.....	.....	7 88
Hartwell, Lucy B. . . . .	1,900	.....	23 75	2,500	31 25	55 00
Hartwell, Samuel . . . . .	12,390	.....	154 88	10,000	125 00	279 88
Hayden, Frederick A. . . . .	3,000	.....	37 50	1,400	17 50	55 00
Haynes, Elizabeth, Estate of . . . . .	.....	.....	.....	4,500	56 25	56 25
Hoar, George H. . . . .	440	.....	5 50	3,600	45 00	50 50
Hoar, Leonard, Heirs of . . . . .	.....	.....	.....	500	6 25	6 25
Hodges, Ann F. . . . .	.....	.....	.....	7,500	93 75	93 75
Hosey, William . . . . .	355	.....	4 44	1,500	18 75	23 19
Hills, George E. . . . .	.....	.....	.....	650	8 13	8 13
Hunt, Sarah . . . . .	.....	.....	.....	3,750	46 88	46 88

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Johnson, Amelia L.	110	1 38	4,000	50 00	51 38
Johnson, Walter W.	175	2 19	.....	.....	2 19
Jones, Abijah G.	485	6 07	5,000	62 50	68 57
Jones, Francis R.	7,000	87 50	9,000	112 50	200 00
Jones, Frank H.	7,500	93 75	.....	.....	93 75
Jones, Mary P., Estate of	.....	.....	3,500	43 75	43 75
Jose, Eugene	410	5 13	2,400	30 00	35 13
Jurada, John	105	1 32	1,900	23 75	25 07
Jerrett, Fred	65	81	.....	.....	81
Kennedy, John	525	6 57	3,500	43 75	50 22
Kennedy, Michael	50	63	1,300	16 25	16 88
Kidder Bros.	525	6 56	7,000	87 50	94 06
Lahay, Catherine	.....	.....	500	6 25	6 25
Laird, James T.	.....	.....	1,750	21 88	21 88
Lennon, Patrick	25	32	1,100	13 75	14 07
Lincoln Boat Club	.....	.....	500	6 25	6 25
Lunt, Charles	70	88	550	6 87	7 75
Lynah, George C.	350	4 38	1,570	19 62	24 00
Lynah, John D.	.....	.....	2,500	31 25	31 25
Maguire, Michael, Heirs of	90	1 13	1,000	12 50	13 63
Martin, Mary	50	63	1,400	17 50	18 13
Mayer, Louis	1,075	13 44	3,400	42 50	55 94
McHugh Bros.	675	8 44	4,000	50 00	58 44
McPherson, Mrs. L. A.	10	13	800	10 00	10 13
Miner, Lewis	175	2 19	1,610	20 12	22 31

Moore, Gardner, Estate of	.	.	.	505	6 32	3,750	46 87	53 19
Nelson, George	.	.	.	700	8 75	5,400	67 50	76 25
Nevill, Martin	.	.	.	350	4 38	2,900	36 25	40 63
Newton, George F.	.	.	.	50	63	.....	.....	63
Page, Henry K.	.	.	.	290	3 63	.....	.....	3 63
Page, Henry R., and others	.	.	.	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....
Peirce, William C.	.	.	.	100	1 25	9,300	116 25	116 25
Peirce, William L. G.	.	.	.	280	3 50	2,000	25 00	26 25
Pierce, John H.	.	.	.	35,000	437 50	8,950	111 88	115 38
Pierce, Samuel H.	.	.	.	930	11 63	.....	.....	437 50
Powell, John, Estate of	.	.	.	.....	.....	13,520	169 00	180 63
Pratt, Henry W.	.	.	.	.....	.....	500	6 25	6 25
Ray, Charles J. R.	.	.	.	.....	.....	1,900	23 75	23 75
Rice, Charles H.	.	.	.	.....	.....	2,500	31 25	31 25
Rice, Edwin B.	.	.	.	140	1 75	2,000	25 00	26 75
Rice, George L.	.	.	.	350	4 38	3,080	38 50	42 88
Richardson, Harriet F.	.	.	.	100	1 25	.....	.....	1 25
Riley, Michael	.	.	.	.....	.....	3,700	46 25	46 25
Roache, James, Estate of	.	.	.	80	1 00	.....	.....	1 00
Rooney, John W.	.	.	.	250	3 13	.....	.....	3 13
Ropes, George, Estate of	.	.	.	50	63	.....	.....	63
Ropes, Mary M.	.	.	.	75	94	14,500	181 25	182 19
Ryan, John	.	.	.	.....	.....	3,000	37 50	37 50
Ryan, John, 2d	.	.	.	.....	.....	1,100	13 75	13 75
Ryan, Mary	.	.	.	50	63	.....	.....	63
Ryan, William	.	.	.	.....	.....	1,600	20 00	20 00
Sargent, Charles O.	.	.	.	.....	.....	200	2 50	2 50
Sawin, Susan N.	.	.	.	665	8 32	2,400	30 00	38 32
Scripture, Augusta	.	.	.	.....	.....	3,500	43 75	43 75
Sherman, Daniel H.	.	.	.	3,500	43 75	.....	.....	43 75
	.	.	.	1,810	22 63	6,000	75 00	97 63

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Sherman, J. D., Heirs of	.....	.....	2,100	26 25	26 25
Sherman, J. Gardner	500	6 25	50	63	6 88
Sherman, Roger	600	7 50	12,000	157 50	165 00
Sherman, William H.	710	8 88	2,700	33 75	42 63
Smith, Calvin, Heirs of	.....	.....	400	5 00	5 00
Smith, Charles S.	2,180	27 25	.....	.....	27 25
Smith, Cyrus S., Heirs of	.....	.....	2,000	25 00	25 00
Smith, Cyrus G.	.....	.....	4,500	56 25	56 25
Smith, Lorenzo, Heirs of	.....	.....	2,900	36 25	36 25
Smith, Francis	2,000	.....	11,405	142 56	167 56
Smith, Jonas, Heirs of	.....	.....	2,800	35 00	35 00
Smith, Thomas W.	900	11 25	.....	.....	11 25
Smith, Zenas G.	800	10 00	.....	.....	10 00
Snelling, Howard, Heirs of	885	11 06	15,000	187 50	198 56
Snelling, S. Rodman	.....	.....	1,500	18 75	18 75
Spencer, Geoffrey, Heirs of	715	8 94	5,000	62 50	71 44
Stackpole, Edward	510	6 38	5,500	68 75	75 13
Stearns, Mary H.	.....	.....	200	2 50	2 50
Storey, Morefield	.....	.....	5,000	62 50	62 50
Stratton, Charles H., Heirs of	100	1 25	4,100	51 25	52 50
Swift, Elizabeth B.	5,400	67 50	6,500	81 25	148 75
Tarbell, Charles L., Estate of	54,000	675 00	.....	.....	675 00
Tarbell, George G.	790	9 88	16,000	200 00	209 88
Tasker, John	220	2 75	2,500	31 25	34 00
Taylor, John P.	200	3 82	2,500	31 25	35 07
Thompson, Joseph B.	100	1 25	.....	.....	1 25



Trask, Charles H., Jr.	460	5 75	9,000	112 50	118 25
Tuttle, Freelan J.	125	1 56	.....	.....	1 56
Tyler, Watson	16	20	500	6 25	6 45
Underwood, Joseph	600	7 50	2,100	26 25	33 75
Wallace, Michael	50	63	.....	.....	63
Warner, Henry E.	100	1 25	6,000	75 00	76 25
Washburn, Albert	150	1 88	2,000	25 00	26 88
Washburn, Mary	.....	.....	4,000	50 00	50 00
Watson, Walter L.	70	88	.....	.....	88
Welch, Martin M.	685	8 57	2,500	31 25	39 82
Weston, Ann E.	1,575	19 69	2,500	31 25	50 94
Weston, Leonard W., Heirs of	1,150	14 38	8,000	100 00	114 38
Wheeler, Abel, Heirs of	.....	.....	3,500	43 75	43 75
Wheeler, Asahel, Heirs of	.....	.....	500	6 25	6 25
Wheeler, C. Edgar	685	8 57	2,500	31 25	39 82
Wheeler, Charles S.	1,090	13 63	10,000	125 00	138 63
Wheeler, Charlotte	3,300	41 25	.....	.....	41 25
Wheeler, Mrs. Charlotte	91,354	1,141 93	.....	.....	1,141 93
Wheeler, Ellen, Estate of	1,050	13 13	.....	.....	13 13
Wheeler, George R.	915	11 44	4,650	58 13	69 57
Wheeler, James B.	788	9 85	5,100	63 75	73 60
Wheeler, Martha J.	1,285	16 07	3,000	37 50	53 57
Wheeler, Sarah M.	53	67	2,500	31 25	31 92
White, Thomas, Heirs of	.....	.....	1,000	12 50	12 50
Whitman, Joseph, Heirs of	.....	.....	1,035	12 94	12 94
Whitman, Maria M.	.....	.....	2,750	34 38	34 38
Whitney, Louis H.	75	94	.....	.....	94
Wilkinson, Guy	290	3 63	4,000	50 00	53 63
Wooley, William H.	515	6 44	.....	.....	6 44
Wright, Robert F.	325	4 07	2,150	26 88	30 95
Wright, William H.	275	3 44	.....	.....	3 44

## NON-RESIDENTS.

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Abbot, G. S. T. L., Concord . . . . .	.....	.....	\$ 325	\$ 4 07	\$ 4 07
Adams, Georgianna, Watertown . . . . .	.....	.....	3,000	37 50	37 50
Adams, Henry B. . . . .	.....	.....	3,000	37 50	37 50
Bacon, Henry, Heirs of, Bedford . . . . .	.....	.....	15	19	19
Bemis, Charles, Heirs of, Waltham . . . . .	.....	.....	240	3 00	3 00
Blaisdell, William A., Concord . . . . .	.....	.....	50	63	63
Blanchard, Luke, Acton . . . . .	.....	.....	150	1 88	1 88
Blodgett, Stephen H., Cambridge . . . . .	1,750	21 88	6,400	80 00	101 88
Bradley, J. B., trustee, Boston . . . . .	19,700	246 25	.....	.....	246 25
Brown, Charles E., Lexington . . . . .	.....	.....	20	25	25
Brown, Charles, Heirs of, Lexington . . . . .	.....	.....	190	2 38	2 38
Brown, William, Heirs of, Winchendon . . . . .	.....	.....	1,040	13 00	13 00
Brennon, Michael, Concord . . . . .	.....	.....	30	38	38
Brewster, William, Boston . . . . .	.....	.....	425	5 32	5 32
Brigham, Alonzo F., Concord . . . . .	.....	.....	100	1 25	1 25
Brooks, A. B. & Bro., Woburn . . . . .	.....	.....	240	3 00	3 00
Brooks, Mary A., Concord . . . . .	.....	.....	617	7 72	7 72
Calef, Asa F., . . . . .	.....	.....	625	7 82	7 82
Calef, Edna G., . . . . .	.....	.....	300	3 75	3 75
Clark, William W., Waltham . . . . .	.....	.....	2,500	31 25	31 25
Conant, D. & C. H., Concord . . . . .	.....	.....	2,000	25 00	25 00
Cushman, George H., Waltham . . . . .	.....	.....	2,500	31 25	31 25
Cutler, James R., Somerville . . . . .	.....	.....	165	2 07	2 07
Cutting, B. L., Waltham . . . . .	.....	.....	50	63	63
Derby, Benjamin, Concord . . . . .	.....	.....	750	9 38	9 38

Derby, Lucy H.,	175	2 19	2 19
Doyle, Mary, Weston	700	8 75	10 63
Emerson, E. W., Concord	252	3 15	3 15
Emerson, R. W., Heirs of, Concord	600	7 50	7 50
Fitchburg R.R. Co.	450	5 63	5 63
Foster, William, Waltham	50	63	63
Giles, Charles E., Somerville	40	50	50
Gill, James, Waltham	175	2 19	2 19
Gourgas, Francis R., Heirs of, Concord	50	63	63
Gowell, Mrs. Mary, Weston	150	1 88	1 88
Graves, George A., Brookline	3,500	43 75	43 95
Griffin, John, Boston	100	1 25	1 25
Harrington, Elisha, Heirs of, Quincy	120	1 50	1 50
Hersey, Mrs. P. E., Cambridge	700	8 75	8 75
Heywood, George, Heirs of, Concord	1,200	15 00	15 00
Holden, Marshall, Dorchester	195	2 44	2 44
Hovey, Adelaide H., Waltham	600	7 50	7 50
Hunter, Jerry A.,	2,650	33 13	33 13
Kendall, Martha H. Waverley	100	1 25	1 25
Lexington Ice Co.	1,000	12 50	25 00
Locke, Isaac, Boston	200	2 50	2 50
McIntosh, Walter, Springfield	150	1 88	1 88
Moore, S. B., Concord	300	3 75	3 75
Munroe, Jonas, Heirs of, Lexington	600	7 50	7 50
Nelville, John, Bedford	850	10 62	10 62
Nichols, Susan H., Woburn	800	10 00	10 00
Paine, Horace, Concord	200	2 50	2 50
Pierce, Cyrus, Heirs of, Concord	360	4 50	4 50
Prentis, Frank B., and others, Philadelphia	4,000	50 00	50 00
Potter, H. Staples, Boston	30	38	38
Richardson, T. C., Weston	150	1 88	1 88

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Richardson, John, Boston . . . . .	.....	.....	240	3 00	3 00
Rindge, Fred. H., Cambridge . . . . .	.....	.....	350	4 38	4 38
Russ, J. F., Boston . . . . .	\$150	\$1 88	6,500	81 25	83 13
Sawyer, Charles A., Concord . . . . .	.....	.....	1,490	18 63	18 63
Sherman, Eugene, Wayland . . . . .	.....	.....	200	2 50	2 50
Sherman, Herbert A., Weston . . . . .	.....	.....	70	88	88
Sherman, Susan R., Wayland . . . . .	.....	.....	500	6 25	6 25
Simonds, Eli, Heirs of, Bedford . . . . .	.....	.....	400	5 00	5 00
Smith, Elizabeth M., Boston . . . . .	.....	.....	1,800	22 50	22 50
Smith, Louis E., Portsmouth, N.H. . . . .	.....	.....	650	8 13	8 13
Stewart, James, Waltham . . . . .	.....	.....	76	95	95
Stow, Nathan B., Concord . . . . .	.....	.....	180	2 25	2 25
Sullivan, John, Arlington . . . . .	.....	.....	200	2 50	2 50
Sweet, B. D., Boston . . . . .	.....	.....	3,000	37 50	37 50
Tewksbury, George F., Lexington . . . . .	.....	.....	160	2 00	2 00
Thompson, Maria L., Woburn . . . . .	.....	.....	100	1 25	1 25
Viles, Charles L., Waltham . . . . .	.....	.....	600	7 50	7 50
Viles, Sumner, Weston . . . . .	.....	.....	120	1 50	1 50
Walker, Ann E., Heirs of, Milwaukee, Wis. . . . .	.....	.....	100	1 25	1 25
Walker, Eliza M., " . . . . .	.....	.....	270	3 38	3 38
Warren, William R., New York . . . . .	.....	.....	11,500	143 75	143 75
Wentworth, J. B., Waltham . . . . .	.....	.....	1,600	20 00	20 00
Weston Town Farm . . . . .	.....	.....	814	10 18	10 18
Wheeler, Emeline, Weston . . . . .	.....	.....	300	3 75	3 75
Wheeler, Frank, Concord . . . . .	.....	.....	1,550	19 38	19 38
Wheeler, H. N., Cambridge . . . . .	.....	.....	400	5 00	5 00
Woodsome, Richard, Concord . . . . .	.....	.....	100	1 25	1 25
Wright, George H., " . . . . .	.....	.....	100	1 25	1 25



## The Water Commissioners' Report.

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The Water Commissioners herewith present their annual report for the year ending Jan. 31, 1898.

The year just closed has been the most important one in the history of the Water Works since their completion. The pumps which were put in when the works were constructed in 1874, have with some repairs and considerable extra time, furnished what water has been needed.

During two weeks of the month of July, it became necessary to run the pump constantly day and night, and on this account we were obliged to hire an assistant engineer to run in the daytime, while the regular engineer, Mr. James T. Laird, made the night runs. In this way the water was kept to a depth of about six feet in the reservoir. If there had been the usual dry time during the months of July, August and September, the pump would have been taxed to its utmost capacity, running day and night in order to have furnished a sufficient supply.

The cement-lined pipes continue to do good service, and there have been but three bad leaks during the year, two of which have been on the curve near Mr. Francis Smith's, one of which was caused by blasting a boulder in the trench of the new pipe, and was repaired by the contractor at his own expense. Nearly all of the leaks in the cement-lined pipe during the past five years have been on the Pond Road and have been due by the constantly varying strain caused by pumping. There have been three leaks on the cast-iron pipes caused by an insufficient amount of lead being used or carelessness in caulking, which have been repaired at a small expense.

The whole of the south part of the town is now dependent for its supply upon the pipe past the railroad station. Before many years the town should lay a pipe connecting the pipe opposite Mr. Charles F. Adams' place with the one opposite the house of Mr. Chas. H. Trask, Jr. By so doing a surer supply would be guaranteed at all times; also a better circulation and consequently better water.



The hydrants, with some exceptions, are in good order. One opposite the Hodge's estate is one of the old Newport pattern and should be replaced this spring with a new one. The one at Farnsworth Corner, reported to be out of order, is a Holyoke and has always given more or less trouble. One on the eight-inch pipe opposite Dr. Tarbell's should be taken out in the spring and an air valve put in its place; there being a new hydrant near it on the new twelve-inch main. The receipts from the Fitchburg R. R. Company have been less this year than the previous one, due, we are told by the superintendent, to two causes. First, a running of less trains; second, some complaints to the management from town's people, of certain trains blocking the crossing. These trains have been ordered not to take water here. It is hoped that in the future some arrangement may be made whereby these trains may again get their supply from us.

Some trouble has been had with the meter, and twice during the year it has been stopped by fish and stones getting in from the main pipe. A fish trap has been bought and will be put on as soon as the weather will permit.

At the last annual meeting the following vote was passed:

ART. 16. *Voted*, That the Water Commissioners be and the same are hereby authorized to procure plans and specifications for the construction of a new pumping station upon the land taken for water purposes near the shores of Sandy Pond in March, 1876 and March, 1896, and to construct or otherwise provide for the building of the same; to procure such new machinery and appliances to lay a new pumping main from the pond to the reservoir, and to contract or otherwise to provide for the construction of the same, and to perform the whole or any part of the work hereby authorized at their discretion, all of said work being for the purposes named in Chapter 188 of the Acts of the year 1872, and to be done under and according to the provisions of the said chapter, provided that the sum paid or contracted to be paid under this vote shall not exceed, for all the purposes herein mentioned altogether, the sum of ten thousand dollars.

At a special town meeting, called May 27, 1897, the following vote was passed:

ART. 4. *Voted*, That for the purpose of defraying the expenses of constructing the new pumping station, procuring new machinery and appliances therefor, and laying a new pumping main from

Sandy Pond to the reservoir for the purposes mentioned in Chapter 188 of the Acts of the year 1872, the sum of ten thousand dollars (\$10,000) be and the same hereby is appropriated, in addition to the sums already appropriated for the said purposes, and the Water Commissioners are hereby authorized to expend the said sum in addition to the said other sums for the said purposes; provided that the sums paid or contracted to be paid under this vote and the previous votes of the town, authorizing the Water Commissioners to do the said work shall not exceed altogether the sum of \$20,000, and the treasurer of the town is hereby authorized to issue, for the purpose of borrowing the whole or any part of the said additional sum of ten thousand dollars (\$10,000), the bonds of the town in denominations of not less than one thousand dollars (\$1,000) each; the first of which bonds shall be payable in one year from the date of issue, and at the end of each year thereafter one of the said bonds shall be payable until the total amount of the said issue is exhausted. Said bonds shall bear on their face the words "Lincoln Water Loan"; shall bear interest semi-annually at a rate not exceeding four per centum per annum; shall be signed by the treasurer of the town and countersigned by the selectmen and may be sold at public auction or private sale at the discretion of the treasurer.

The issue and sale of the said bonds shall conform in all respects to the provisions of Chapter 341 of the Acts of the year 1897.

Acting under these votes, your commissioners sought advice from Mr. J. Waldo Smith, hydraulic emgineer, as to what it was advisable for the town to put in for pumps and boiler, and also his opinion as to the leakage and waste in both reservoir and pipes. After furnishing Mr. Smith with the data which he asked for, we received the following reply :

MONTCLAIR, N. J., April 5, 1897.

*To the Board of Water Commissioners, Lincoln, Mass.*

GENTLEMEN:—In compliance with the request of Mr. Chapin, as outlined in his letter of March 15, 1897, I have the pleasure to report a number of recommendations in regard to the construction of the contemplated new work.

*1. The Quantity of Water to be Provided.*

It appears from certain observations of the fall of the water in the reservoir, recently taken and reported to me, that the present

consumption of the town is not far from 105,000 gallons per day, which amount, considering the population supplied, the use by the Fitchburg R. R. Company and the number of cattle and horses, does not seem unreasonable or indicative of any great amount of waste. From the above, I should estimate the average daily consumption for the highest summer months might be as high as 125,000 or 130,000 gallons per day, and the average for the maximum week 140,000 gallons per day. I do not anticipate any marked increase in the average rate of consumption for the year, and it will probably be some years before it is greater than one million gallons per week.

## 2. *Proper Size of Pump.*

The pump should be of sufficient size to furnish the required supply by running from two to four days per week and so give the engineer sufficient time to keep the entire plant in good repair and perhaps put in the services.

I recommend a compound, condensing three-quarter million gallon pump with jet condenser. The ordinary piston speed should be about seventy-five to eighty feet per minute, and consequently the plunger would be about nine inches in diameter and should be capable of making an eighteen-inch stroke. A well constructed pump of such dimensions could be run at a piston speed of one hundred feet per minute, equal to one million gallons in twenty-four hours without damage to the machine and with greater economy than at the three-quarter million gallon rate.

## 3. *Boiler.*

The boiler for such a pump should be from sixty to sixty-five horse power and of the best horizontal tubular type or of a size to run the pump at a million gallon rate.

## 4. *Chimney.*

Ordinarily a chimney for a sixty horse power boiler should have a twenty-four inch flue and be sixty to sixty-five feet high, but on account of the location, provided the pumping plant is to be set up at its present location, I recommend a twenty-eight inch flue and a height of eighty-five feet.

## 5. *Size of Suction and Force Main.*

As the pipe for the force main has been already purchased nothing need be said about it, except that the size, twelve inch, is ample.

The suction to be laid into the lake should be, I think, at least sixteen inches in diameter.

#### 6. *Location of Pumping Plant.*

I can see no way to utilize any of the present buildings. Neat and attractive buildings should be constructed, convenient for the use for which they are designed, and the whole pumping plant made attractive to the eye. It would be necessary to provide a pump room of ample size for one pump, and so arranged that the room could be extended and an additional pump set in, if found necessary in the future; a boiler room with space for two horizontal sixty-five horse power boilers, only one to be set now, and a coal pocket.

Further investigation will be necessary before determining the advisability of moving the plant to some other location. A location near "Canaan" shore, where the water is deep, would seem to offer the most advantage of any mentioned. The pipe line from this point would be about one-third the distance of one from the present plant. This would be quite a saving in pipe, which might or might not be offset by disadvantages.

To sum up, required: One three-quarters million gallons compound condensing pump. One sixty-five horse power horizontal, tubular boiler or one large enough to run the pump at a one million gallon rate with ease. Pump house, with room for one pump, and boiler room with space for two boilers. One eighty-five foot chimney with twenty-eight inch core.

Respectfully submitted,

J. WALDO SMITH,  
*Hydraulic Engineer.*

LINCOLN, April 7, 1897.

*To the Board of Water Commissioners.*

GENTLEMEN:—I have looked over the ground with some care and have read Mr. Smith's report as above and concur in the recommendations made therein.

Very respectfully,

WALTER H. SEARS,  
*Civil Engineer.*



Mr. Smith was invited to become the engineer of the new work, but was unable to attend to it owing to other engagements. He, however, recommended to us Mr. Walter H. Sears of Plymouth, who has proved to be the right man for the place. Mr. Sears is a man of large experience in water works construction, and we feel that the town has been very fortunate in securing his services. Mr. Sears came here in April and remained during all the time the pipe was being laid and superintended the work.

During this time, however, he did other work which has long needed to be done. There have never been any plans of the works and no records of the gates, hydrants, etc. have been kept. With the help of an assistant, Mr. Sears has prepared three sets of drawings, which will be on exhibiton at the annual town meeting. One drawing is on a scale of five hundred feet to the inch, showing the whole scheme of the works. One set of drawings on a scale of eighty feet to the inch, showing every persons' service pipe and the distance of buildings from the pipe line, and one set of drawings on a scale of thirty feet to the inch, showing the location of every gate box, hydrant, blow off, service box, etc. on the line. These plans will in the future be valuable in caring for the works, and will be kept in the vault in the selectmen's office.

Bids for furnishing about 5,400 feet of twelve inch cast-iron pipe were asked for from several of the largest foundries of the country. The best price received was from M. J. Drummond of New York, and to him was awarded the contract at \$20 per gross ton f.o.b. Lincoln.

Bids for digging and laying the pipe were asked for from several reliable contractors, and to Mr. John T. Langford of Newton, the lowest bidder furnishing suitable bonds, we awarded the contract at thirty cents per lineal foot, with \$3.50 per cubic yard for rock excavation. We are pleased to say that Mr. Langford performed the work in a most satisfactory manner.

Specifications for a new pump and boiler were prepared by the engineer, Mr. Sears, and bids were asked for from The George F. Blake Mfg. Co., Henry R. Worthington, and the Deane Steam Pump Co. The bids were opened in public and were accompanied with certified checks.

A bid was also received from the Barr Pumping Engine Co. of Philadelphia, but as it did not conform to the specifications, it was not considered.



The Deane Steam Pump Co. being the lowest bidders, considering the duty guaranteed, the contract was awarded to them for the sum of forty-eight hundred and seventy dollars (\$4,870), and on June 3, 1897, a contract was signed for the above amount.

Plans and specifications have been prepared by Mr. George F. Newton for a new pumping station of sufficient size for the use of town for many years.

Estimates for doing all work and furnishing all materials for the building have been received.

These estimates include the building of an eighty-five foot chimney, and the removal of the present station, chimney and coal shed, together with some grading.

The Commissioners have not been able to go forward with the building the past year, as they were informed by the Claims Committee that it would not be advisable to put any new building on the present pumping station lot, while the suit of *Smith v. Lincoln* was pending. The plans for the new building will be on exhibition at the annual town meeting.

A new twelve-inch main pipe is laid from the pumping station lot into the reservoir. The new sixteen-inch suction has been bought and is ready to be put in when the new station is built. The new main is laid on the opposite side of the street from the cement-lined pipe and is connected with it in three places, viz. near the reservoir; at the corner near the watering trough, and at the pumping station.

At a special town meeting, May 27, the following vote was passed:

ARTICLE 3. *Voted*, That the Water Commissioners be and are hereby authorized to lay about 1,200 feet of four-inch cast-iron pipe from the main opposite the Hodges estate through the land deeded to the town by William Mackintosh, to the estate of H. E. Warner, and pay therefor from money in their hands.

The counsel for the town, Messrs. Smith & Ludden, were asked in regard to this vote, and by them we were informed that it would be proper under this vote to use the money received as a premium on the bonds already issued, amounting to \$669.00, to pay for the work. Accordingly, we bought 2,000 feet of four-inch pipe of M. J. Drummond of New York, and made a contract with Chas. C. Brown of Waltham to lay the same at seventeen cents per lineal

foot. The work was completed at a cost of \$558.00, and from this extension the town will receive an annual income of \$49.00.

The Commissioners felt last year, when an appropriation of \$20,000 was made for the new work proposed, that it was a liberal sum and ample for the needs of the town. Since the work has been begun and estimates have been received, we find that this sum will not be sufficient to do what we think the town will wish to have done, viz.: to have built a good, substantial pumping station, a proper intake chamber in the pond, and the grounds well laid out and graded; so that the pumping station, instead of being an injury to the pond, will be an attraction to it. We therefore recommend and ask the town to make another appropriation of \$2,000; so much of the money to be used as is necessary for the proper completion of the work; the money to be obtained by issuing two more bonds in connection with ten already voted to be issued.

Following this report is a report of the engineer, Mr. Sears, also a detailed account of the receipts and expenditures for the year.

We are unwilling to close this report without reference to the death of the chairman of the board, Mr. Leonard W. Weston, which occurred on July 27, 1897, and in no better way perhaps can we do so, than by the following resolutions which were passed at a special meeting of the board July 31.

*Whereas*, God in His Infinite Wisdom has removed from our midst our fellow-townsmen, Mr. Leonard W. Weston, while with deep sorrow we bow in submission to the Divine Will of Him who can see the end from the beginning and who doeth all things well, We, the remaining members of the Water Board, desire to express our appreciation and esteem of Mr. Weston by these resolutions.

*Resolved*, That in the death of Mr. Leonard W. Weston, the members of the Water Board have sustained a personal loss of a friend, who was always interested in their success and a townsman, who desired always what was for the interest of the public, rather than the individual; a member of the board, who as presiding officer was always courteous and affable, ready with an opinion, yet considerate of the wishes of others and ready to yield his opinion to that of the majority.

*Resolved*, That in his death we feel the town has lost a public-spirited citizen, and the water works one of its staunchest supporters. As one of the original Water Commissioners, he had to do with the construction of the works, and during all of the years

when others felt that the town had made a mistake in what it had undertaken, he remained firm in his belief in its ultimate success.

We rejoice that he lived to see the works on a substantial business basis; that as chairman of the board he could participate in their reconstruction, which for several years he had seen must be undertaken. He had been more closely identified with the works than any other citizen, and in his position on the board was always ready to listen to the needs of others. Any who applied for extensions always found in him a ready supporter.

Having enjoyed the privileges himself, he applied the golden rule of doing for others as he would have them do for him.

As a member of the board he was ever ready to do his part, whether pleasant or otherwise, and never was there a call in connection with the water works when he allowed even his private business to interfere with public duty.

GEORGE L. CHAPIN,	}	<i>Water Commissioners.</i>
JOHN F. FARRAR,		
SAMUEL HARTWELL,		
CHARLES S. WHEELER,		

## Report of the Engineer, Mr. Walter H. Sears.

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MR. GEORGE L. CHAPIN,  
*Chairman Lincoln Water Board.*

*Sir:*—I herewith present the following report of the work done under my direction on the Lincoln Water Works during the spring and summer of 1897:

The work to be done consisted in renewing the means of supplying the town with water. The source of supply and the reservoir remain unchanged. The work was originally built in 1874, and, although ample and well designed for that time, had become worn out and insufficient for present demands.

Several locations for the new pumping station, other than the present one, were considered. Among others, it was proposed to locate the station on what is called the Canaan shore on Dr. Tarbell's land, and lay the pipe thence in a straight line to the reservoir. The principal advantage of this location would be that it would give the shortest length of main pipe, as this is the nearest point on Sandy pond to the reservoir. This would, however, have involved the purchase or condemnation of a right of way over land not owned or controlled by the town, and the construction of a roadway suitable for hauling material, coal, etc. In order to take full advantage of this location the route selected for the pipe line would have been a straight line to the reservoir, and this would have been almost impracticable for a roadway. On the other hand, a roadway with proper grades would have been more or less circuitous and thus longer than the straight line, increasing the length of the pipe to be laid. To have laid the pipe in a direct line and build a roadway on suitable grades would have involved taking two rights of way. Moreover, by this route no advantage could be taken of the new pipe for fire service through the town. The disadvantages of this location, therefore, seemed to be greater than the advantages to be gained by merely having a shorter main pipe.



Another location proposed was in the field between the road leading to the present pumping station and the new road to the railroad station.

This plan would involve taking the water by gravity from the pond to the pumping station. The pipe would probably be sixteen inches in diameter and by a length varying according to the location selected. It would be necessary to purchase or condemn a right of way from the pond to the pumping station, and to build a roadway to the same. After passing through the pump the water could be returned in the twelve-inch main over the same route to the highway, or a new route could be taken to some point on the highway nearer the centre of the town. In this case another right of way and road would have to be built. The pumps would be remote from the source of supply, and in case of clogging of the screens in the screen chamber at the pond from any cause such as dead leaves, anchor ice, etc., the supply might be shut off without warning to the engineer and serious trouble might occur. Other disadvantages might be referred to, such as the increased cost of laying the supply pipe at the greater depth, which would be necessary in order to take the water from a proper depth below the surface of the pond.

This location, while feasible from certain standpoints, presented no great or decided advantages over the location already occupied on the shore of the pond, and in case condemnation proceedings were necessary to obtain the required rights of way, it might be difficult to persuade commissioners or juries that this location was sufficiently superior to the present one to warrant a change. Other situations were considered, but there were none which presented any special advantage over that already occupied by the town, and which seems to have been wisely selected by the former engineer, Mr. Tidd.

This point is near the deepest water on the shore line, thus requiring only a short suction pipe to reach a good depth of water. The main pipe would be laid directly from the pumping station into the public road and thence in the highway all the way to the reservoir, no further purchase or condemnation of land being required for rights of way. No new road would have to be built, and the new station could be made an attractive feature to the townspeople in a location easily accessible and with appropriate and desirable natural surroundings.



Being laid in the main street, five hydrants could be located upon this large pipe for its whole length thus giving the whole route, including a very considerable portion of the town's property, the most effective fire service which can be had from the new main.

Your engineer therefore had no hesitancy in recommending the commissioners to proceed with the work entrusted to them on the basis of the present location of the pumping station and main pipe. A careful survey of the pipe line was therefore made, and levels taken referring all elevations to the Boston base so-called, the starting point or bench mark being kindly furnished by the engineer of the Fitchburg railroad.

The twelve-inch cast-iron pipe having been already purchased by the Commissioners, specifications for laying the same were prepared and bids were received from several parties. The contract was awarded to John T. Langford of Boston, for the sum of thirty cents per lineal foot.

Work was commenced in May and the final estimate was made July 9th. The pipe was laid from a point in the pumping station lot to the screen well at the reservoir, 6203 feet. Seven new hydrants were set and gates were located approximately 1,000 feet apart. Connections were made with the old cement-lined pipe at three points, with gates between the two at each point. The new pipe may thus be entirely disconnected from the old and used only as a pumping main if desired; ordinarily all gates would be open, giving as free delivery of water as possible. Upon being connected with the twelve-inch pipe the pressure at the pump while working was reduced some 33 feet, practically showing the advantage of the new and larger main pipe.

Specifications were also prepared for the pumping machinery and bids were asked for and received from four manufacturers of pumps. The contract for pumps and boilers was awarded to the Deane Pump Co. of Holyoke, Mass., for the sum of \$4,870.00. Acting upon advice received from the counsel of the town, the Commissioners delayed taking any steps in the way of constructing the building or setting up the pumping machinery, or making any new connection at the pond for the new station.

While the work of pipe laying was being done, a survey of the whole system of pipe distribution was made, and every main gate and service box was located. A plan of this work has been made

on sheets, and the location of every service box has been drawn on cards, showing the owner's name and sufficient measurements to enable the service box to be found at any time when required. These cards are arranged in the general manner of the card catalogue system now in use in many public libraries, and admit of any changes being readily made and shown, while giving in a most convenient and accessible manner the information desired.

About 1183 feet of four-inch pipe was laid by Chas. C. Brown of Waltham, from the road leading to the railroad station to "Warner's," at a cost of \$558.02.

I am advised that the plans of the building for the pumping machinery have been prepared acceptable to the Commissioners. When the engine house is built I would recommend that a substantial gate chamber be constructed at or near the shore of the pond, with proper arrangements for handling the screens and for shutting off or letting on the water from the pond to the pumps.

Several plans for this work have been under consideration, and it is probable that a satisfactory chamber can be built when the time comes, for \$500.00 to \$800.00.

I am unwilling to close this report without referring to my good fortune in having been associated, during most of the work, with Mr. Weston, for many years chairman of the Water Board.

I soon learned to appreciate his good judgment and sound common sense as well as his kindly, friendly manner, and I can well understand that his loss must be greatly deplored by all his associates.

In conclusion, I wish to thank the members of the Water Board for their uniform kindness during my connection with the work.

Very respectfully,

WALTER H. SEARS.

PLYMOUTH, MASS., Feb. 3, 1898.

## MEMORANDA.

Elevation of Fitchburg R.R. tracks at Lincoln Station,	210.000
Surface of water in Weston's field, . . . .	218.000
“ “ “ Sandy Pond, April, 1897, . . . .	232.000
“ road near Drinking Fountain at Public Library, . . . . .	254.000
Surface of road near Town Hall, . . . .	300.000
Stone monument on reservoir bank, . . . .	389.484
Length of twelve inch pipe laid 1897, . . . .	6,203
Hydrants on twelve inch pipe, . . . .	7
Gallons water pumped 1897, . . . .	47,922,138
“ “ “ “ per inhabitant, . . . .	179
Number people supplied, . . . . .	525

## RECEIPTS.

Balance on hand, Feb. 1, 1897, . . . . .	\$218 94
Water rates due in 1895, . . . . .	35 00
“ “ “ 1896, . . . . .	461 43
“ “ “ 1897, . . . . .	2,177 62
Hydrant services, . . . . .	215 00
Three water troughs, . . . . .	105 00
Coal sold, . . . . .	13 27
Stock sold and labor of engineer, . . . . .	166 76
Fitchburg R. R. Co., . . . . .	1,353 64
Old junk, . . . . .	1 00
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	\$4,747 66

## EXPENDITURES.

Patrick McWalter, labor, resetting boiler,	\$57 00
“ “ fire clay, . . . .	2 10
“ “ fire brick, . . . .	3 00
“ “ mortar and cement, . . . .	4 30
“ “ lime, . . . .	3 75
“ “ teaming, . . . .	1 25
“ “ brick, . . . .	4 10
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Amount carried forward, . . . .	\$75 50

<i>Amount brought forward,</i>	\$75 50
Continental Grate Co., bars and headers for grate,	13 00
Braman, Dow & Co., pipe and fittings,	16 57
National Meter Co., repairing meter,	5 55
“ “ “ 1 $\frac{3}{4}$ in. meter,	19 60
“ “ “ $\frac{5}{8}$ in. “	12 40
James T. Laird, services as engineer, 52 weeks at \$15.00,	780 00
James T. Laird, car fares to Waltham and Boston,	.96
Waltham Coal Co., 52,100 lbs. Pocahontas coal, at \$3.25 per 2,240 lbs., Boston,	75 60
Waltham Coal Co., 51,200 lbs. at \$3.30, “	75 43
“ “ “ 89,250 “ \$3.25, “	129 49
“ “ “ 115,700 “ \$3.25, “	167 87
“ “ “ 129,300 “ \$3.60, “	207 80
“ “ “ 43,000 “ \$4.50 per 2,000 lbs. delivered,	96 75
Henry R. Worthington, adjusting feed pump and repairs for pump,	5 78
Geo. L. Chapin, car fares for Water Board, to North Somerville and Beverly,	4 16
Geo. L. Chapin, expenses to New York,	14 93
“ “ “ services as Water Com- missioner, Collector and Treasurer,	75 00
John F. Farrar, services as Water Commis- sioner in 1896,	30 00
John F. Farrar, labor and cash paid,	10 00
“ “ “ 85 lbs. pig lead,	3 40
“ “ “ services as Water Commis- sioner in 1897	35 00
John F. Farrar, labor, repairing pipe, etc.	24 50
Fitchburg R. R. Co., freight and express,	127 87
N. F. Cousins, two drawing boards,	3 00
Town of Lincoln, interest on bonds,	920 00
<i>Amount carried forward,</i>	\$2,930 16

<i>Amount brought forward,</i>	\$2,930 16
Wadsworth, Howland & Co., paper and ink,	9 24
Aaron A. Gay & Co., field book,	85
Geo. J. Emmott, labor,	5 07
Edward Kendall & Sons, two tubes and labor of man,	8 90
Edward Kendall & Sons, two sets arch and division plates,	18 16
Edward Kendall & Sons, H. H. plate, bolt, and sockets,	1 75
Henry K. Barnes, hydrant coupling,	3 00
Hersey Mfg. Co., repairs on meter,	6 33
Eagle Oil & Supply Co., oil and packing,	14 75
Mrs. S.C. Pettman, contracts for new pump,	2 49
Walworth Mfg. Co., pipe, fittings, etc.,	64 82
John T. Langford, setting hydrant, repairing leaks, etc.,	30 50
Walter H. Sears, services one-half month of July,	100 00
James T. Calkins, teaming coal from R.R.	103 23
Waltham Water Works, one wrench,	4 50
“ “ “ cast iron sleeves and cement,	5 48
Harold W. Shedd, twenty-four days labor,	48 00
Jame L. Chapin & Son, two telephones to New York,	4 40
James L. Chapin & Son,	13 58
Leonard W. Weston, services as Water Commissioner in 1896,	60 00
Charles C. Brown, repairs and labor in connecting twelve inch main with eight inch main at the points,	167 42
Albert E. Wood, surveying,	7 00
Chas. C. Hutchinson, fifty feet Chesterman tape,	5 50
John J. Driscoll, hauling pipe,	16 25
<i>Amount carried forward,</i>	<u>\$3,631 38</u>



<i>Amount brought forward,</i>			\$8,631 38
Geo E. Crosby & Co., paper, envelopes			
and printing,		8 00	
Thomas Groom & Co., one tin trunk,		4 00	
John R. Hartwell, hauling pipe and castings,		4 00	
James Diamond, labor,		3 00	
M. J. Drummond, pipe and castings,		84 31	
Smith & Ludden, legal services and cash			
paid,		66 10	
J. Waldo Smith, services as consulting			
engineer,		30 00	
Waldo Bros., fire brick,		5 25	
Chapman Valve Mfg. Co., repairs,		4 25	
William C. Peirce, labor,		11 25	
James C. Boyd, civil engineer,		136 00	
Ames Plow Co., iron barrow tray,		3 58	
		— —	\$3,991 12
Estate of L. W. Weston,			15 10
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			\$4,006 22
Balance on hand Feb. 1, 1898,			741 44
Water rates due and uncollected,		235 92	

I have examined the accounts of the Water Commissioners and find them correct.

W. L. G. PEIRCE, *Auditor.*

The following are the expenditures by the Water Commissioners for the new work during the past year, and paid from the town treasury.

Payments on account of the new twelve inch main and new pumping station :

M. J. Drummond, pipe, . . . .	\$4,354 78	
J. W. Blackmer. surveying, . . . .	36 00	
Zenas G. Smith, teaming, . . . .	25 43	
Robert Ellesworth, teaming, . . . .	182 26	
Chapman Valve Mfg. Co., gates and hydrants, . . . . .	627 28	
M. A. Collins, copying contracts, . . . .	6 84	
John T. Langford, contract for laying pipe and making connection with reservoir, . . . .	2,506 60	
Walter H. Sears, services as engineer, . . . .	700 00	
Freight, . . . . .	697 18	
Geo. F. Newton, architect, on account, . . . .	150 00	
	<hr/>	\$9,286 37

Payments on account of Warner's Extension :

M. J. Drummond, . . . . .	\$235 41	
Chapman Valve Mfg. Co., . . . . .	43 82	
Fitchburg R. R. Co., freight, . . . . .	2 37	
Chas. C. Brown, laying pipe, . . . . .	276 42	
	<hr/>	\$558 02
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		\$9,844 39
Unexpended balance, . . . . .		856 83

## Report of Highway Surveyor.

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The appropriation of the town for the repairs of highways and bridges for the past year has been expended as follows: Highway Surveyor, \$300; snow work, \$163; scraping roads, picking up stones, and cleaning out gutters, \$248; South Great road, \$390; from Farrar's Corner to Wayland, \$23; on road from Mr. John F. Farrar's to Mr. Charles H. Rice's, \$106; roads from South Great road to Concord, \$187; from Haynes' Corner to Wayland, \$12; from Jones' Corner to Weston, \$38; from railroad station to Center, \$278; from Centre to Mr. Francis Smith's, \$337; in the Centre near the water trough, \$60; from Centre to Weston, \$263; from Plain road to Mrs. Spencer's, \$54; Page road from Turnpike and down to Winter street, Waltham, \$415; road from Wheeler's Lane to Turnpike, \$120; road from Turnpike to State road, by Mr. L. F. Brooks, \$103; from Turnpike to State road, by Mr. A. S. Brooks', \$70; Virginia road, \$40; road by Mrs. John Taylor's, \$23; blasting, mowing brush, etc. beside roads, \$70; removing loam and stones from gravel pits, \$122; for gravel, \$91; for crushed stone, \$217; for 195.88 tons stone for crushing, \$59; for crushing stone, \$71; for powder, fuse, tools, and blade for road scraper, \$32; repairs on tools, etc., \$20; and for other general repairs on highways, \$85.50; making a total of \$3,997.50.

The guide boards of the town are in their proper places and are in as good condition as last year, a few of them having been repainted. Following will be found a statement of receipts and payments:

DANIEL H. SHERMAN,

*Highway Surveyor.*

## RECEIPTS.

Town appropriation, . . . . \$4,000 00

## PAYMENTS.

1897.

Feb.	6.	John R. Hartwell, as per bill,	\$19 93
"	20.	F. M. Dempsey, "	24 13
"	20.	A. J. Dougherty, "	19 99
Mar.	12.	John F. Farrar "	10 87
"	13.	John Ryan, 2d "	1 75
"	16.	Good Roads Mach'y Co. . . . "	8 00
"	19.	S. Rodman Snelling, "	5 78
"	29.	Geo. B. Cunningham, "	28 07
"	30.	James B. Wheeler, "	3 11
Apr.	5.	John Ryan, "	12 25
"	8.	L E. Brooks, "	9 74
"	17.	Patrick Craven, "	11 37
"	19.	John Ryan, "	12 25
"	19.	Martin J. Coan, "	9 62
"	24.	John Ryan, 2nd, "	10 50
"	30.	James Hutton, "	18 37
"	30.	D. H. Sherman, "	225 07
May	2.	Edward Ryan, "	23 62
"	3.	Patrick Craven, "	7 00
"	7.	Charles Lunt, "	20 12
"	7.	John J. Driscoll, "	48 75
"	15.	John Ryan, "	12 25
"	15.	Patrick Craven, "	7 00
"	24.	Patrick Craven, "	18 67
June	1.	Edward Ryan, "	24 50
"	1.	Charles Lunt, "	27 42
"	1.	James Hutton, "	27 42
"	3.	John F. Farrar, "	49 88
"	9.	W. H. Sherman, "	222 75
"	10.	John Ryan, "	27 42
"	19.	Patrick Craven, "	19 25
"	19.	Charles Lunt, "	22 75

*Amount carried forward,* . . . . \$989 60

<i>Amount brought forward,</i>			\$989 60
June 26.	S. Rodman Snelling, as per bill,		108 18
" 28.	John Flemming,	"	19 25
" 28.	Daniel Holman,	"	12 25
" 28.	Edward Ryan,	"	29 75
" 30.	James Hutton,	"	35 00
July 1.	D. H. Sherman,	"	377 98
" 2.	W. H. Sherman,	"	67 75
" 2.	Robert Ellsworth,	"	52 38
" 8.	Patrick Craven,	"	5 25
" 10.	Thomas Calkins,	"	27 81
" 27.	John Ryan,	"	22 75
Aug. 3.	Patrick Craven,	"	3 50
" 5.	F. G. D. Bamforth,	"	40 83
" 9.	John F. Farrar,	"	78 78
" 17.	A. S. Brooks,	"	47 50
Sept. 2.	A. J. Dougherty,	"	57 75
" 11.	Robert Ellsworth,	"	13 00
Oct. 2.	John Malone,	"	21 00
" 2.	Edward Ryan,	"	21 00
" 2.	Charles Lunt,	"	24 50
" 2.	James Hutton,	"	26 25
" 9.	Patrick Craven,	"	29 75
" 9.	John Malone,	"	8 75
" 16.	Edward McHugh,	"	25 54
" 16.	Edward Adams,	"	71 22
" 16.	James A. Butcher,	"	13 69
" 16.	Patrick Craven,	"	10 50
" 22.	Geo. N. Bean,	"	28 50
" 22.	John Malone,	"	21 00
" 22.	John Dee,	"	12 52
" 26.	Daniel Holman,	"	13 82
" 30.	John Flemming,	"	54 25
" 30.	Thomas Coan,	"	50 75
" 30.	Frank M. Dempsey,	"	66 50
" 30.	James Hutton,	"	40 25
" 30.	Edward Ryan,	"	40 25
" 30.	Charles Lunt,	"	36 75

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*Amount carried forward,* . . . \$2,606 10



<i>Amount brought forward,</i>		\$2,606 10
Oct. 30.	W. H. Sherman, as per bill,	222 00
" 30.	Patrick Craven,	21 00
" 20.	D. H. Sherman,	418 12
Nov. 1.	Roger Sherman,	71 69
" 1.	Daniel Holman,	15 75
" 1.	Kidder Bro's,	40 00
" 1.	M. A. Murphy.	12 15
" 3.	John Malone,	8 75
" 9.	N. F. Cousins,	2 50
" 24.	Michael Ward,	12 50
" 27.	John Flemming,	3 50
Dec. 13.	Mass. Broken Stone	
	Co.,	216 96
" 15.	Edward Ryan,	11 67
" 21.	James Hutton,	11 76
" 22.	Charles Lunt,	10 19
" 23.	W. H. Sherman,	41 75
1898.		
Jan. 8.	John F. Farrar,	31 75
" 15.	James L. Chapin	
	& Son,	15 45
" 15.	Herbert E. Barnes,	3 00
" 15.	J. A. Burgess,	9 35
" 15.	E. I. Wheeler,	15 50
" 15.	James B. Wheeler,	3 79
" 15.	Patrick Craven,	11 97
" 15.	G. F. Harrington,	6 50
" 25.	John F. Maguire,	5 25
" 25.	T. F. Ham,	10 45
" 25.	T. L. Giles,	4 75
" 26.	Geo. R. Wheeler,	26 95
" 28.	Lincoln Water Wks.	9 75
" 29.	John R. Hartwell,	5 25
" 29.	D. H. Sherman,	111 40
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		3,997 50
Unexpended balance . . . . .		2 50

## Report of Committee on State Road.

Total expenditures of completed	
State Highway as shown by Town	
Report of 1897, . . . .	\$12,654 76
Total expenditure as shown by re-	
port of 1898, . . . .	3,250 80
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	\$15,905 56
Total receipts as shown by Town re-	
ports of 1897, . . . .	\$12,332 56
Total Town reports of 1898 . . . .	2,644 62
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	\$14,977 18
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Cost to the Town, . . . .	\$928 38

The average cost of State roads is \$10,000 per standard mile. What is meant by a standard mile is a piece of road a mile long and 15 feet wide of macadam. Nearly all State roads are graded to a width of twenty-one feet; three feet on each side of the macadam are surfaced with gravel. About a mile and three-quarters of the Lincoln road is surfaced with macadam the entire width of twenty-one feet. Perhaps the most important improvement of all State roads is the reduction of grade, preventing to a considerable extent the wash of storm water, and making it possible to haul larger loads with the same number of horses. In this town in 1895, there was excavated 2,063 cubic yards, and in 1896, 2,132 cubic yards, about 13 per cent, of the total cost of the road, the reduction of grade being a permanent public benefit as long as the road lasts without further cost to the State. The amount of broken stone used in 1895 was 3,101 tons (8,820 square yards); in 1896, 2,490 tons,

(7,357 square yards), the total cost of the Lincoln road as shown by the Town Report, being considerably less per mile than the average of other State roads. The U. S. Department of road enquiry in some recent experiments found that on ordinary roads in their best condition when smooth and dry, that the draft was about two and one-fourth times as much as on a macadam road. The cost of excavation and broken stone to the State on the Lincoln road will be about 75 per cent of the total cost.

The Town is to keep at its own expense, the State road clear of snow and ice, and is liable for injuries to persons travelling upon its State highway, the same as upon other highways, but the amount actually recovered shall be repaid to the Town within one year by the Commonwealth. Any temporary necessary repairs may be made by the Town without the approval of the Highway Commission. Prompt attention to these provisions may prevent any question of liability between the Town and the State, as it is desirable that the Town shall pay no more costs for unnecessary law suits.

## EXPENDITURES.

## Paid for Labor :

Michael Feeney,	\$54 74
John Welsh,	32 66
Daniel Holman,	26 57
Patrick Powers,	18 42
John Murphy,	71 66
Z. G. Smith,	49 50
Thomas Murphy,	88 66
Malcolm McIvers,	24 50
Edward Welsh,	44 58
John D. Fleming,	8 91
Rufus Butcher,	8 58
James Gammans,	50 41
John Leeson,	76 25
Mathew Logan,	7 66
Frank Dalton,	62 00
Martin Neville,	1 08

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*Amount carried forward,* . . . \$626 18

<i>Amount brought forward,</i>			\$626 18
<b>Paid James Neville,</b>			7 50
John Bradley,			36 58
I. B. Cook,			82 57
J. E. Flynn,			16 50
J. T. McNamara,			133 20
Michael Cuff,			30 75
S. R. Snelling,			29 00
Michael Ward,			10 00
Linah Bros.,			66 50
John Neville,			3 00
E. H. Maker,			30 25
Michael Connors,			31 00
Angus McLeod,			2 33
John Lennon,			3 00
John Hargrove,			12 00
James A. Butcher,			32 65
George Nelson,			112 83
Thomas L. Giles,			20 00
A. S. Brooks,			10 50
Martin Bradley,			10 50
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			1,396 84
<b>For Whole Stone,</b>			
Daniel Holman, 38.84 tons at .35,		13 59	
Edward McHugh, 168.37, "		58 93	
Linah Brothers, 130.32, "		45 61	
John Dee, 157.46, "		55 11	
A. S. Brooks, 14.61, "		5 11	
George N. Bean, 64.77, "		22 67	
Martin Neville, 198.67, "		69 53	
James A. Butcher, 284, "		86 80	
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			357 35

## MISCELLANEOUS.

<b>L. E. Brooks' Bill (viz.) :</b>		
56 days on State highway,		140 00
Work of horses 112 days, 6 hours,		169 00
Work of men 8½ days,		12 75
"    men 3½ days,		8 75
"    horses 3½ days,		5 25
5 feet pine wood,		3 75
1 stone drag,		4 00
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*Amount carried forward,* . . \$343 50

<i>Amount brought forward,</i>		\$343 50	
Paid for sharpening drills,		50	
Expenses to Boston twice,		88	
Stationery and postage,		75	
1 axe,		87	
100 feet fuse,		35	
Line,		40	
Repairs on plow,		75	
		<hr/>	\$348 00
John F. Farrar's bill, viz.: for services attending State road 31 days at \$2.50,		77 50	
One man and two horses 45 days at \$4.50,		202 50	
Paid expenses to Townsend, Mason, Fitchburg, Boston, Cambridge and Arlington,		4 30	
Telephone and telegraph,		1 03	
Drain pipe,		90	
		<hr/>	286 23
James B. Wood, coal,		20 48	
Lexington Lumber Co.,		4 13	
Town of Arlington, steam roller, water cart and repairs,		238 22	
Buttrick Lumber Co.,		27 81	
Geo. F. Frost, drain pipe,		15 00	
J. A. & W. Bird, paint,		13 64	
C. S. Wheeler, tools, repairs, etc.,		15 00	
Geo. M. Baker, 30 posts,		5 00	
Fitchburg R. R. Co., freight,		18 32	
Ames Plow Co., tools,		10 47	
American Powder Co.,		2 75	
Wm. E. Denham, blacksmith work,		21 87	
J. L. and H. K. Potter, water cart,		13 00	
A. S. Brooks, 80 posts,		16 00	
J. A. Butcher, use of land,		10 00	
Thomas L. Giles, weighing stone,		32 00	
American Road Machine Co.,		4 00	
J. A. Russell, blacksmith work,		65	
Walcott & Holden, oil,		60	
Pierce & Winn,		13 30	
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<i>Amount carried forward,</i>		\$1,117 47	



<i>Amount brought forward,</i>	\$1,117 47	
North Acton Granite Works, stone,	9 60	
Edward Adams, crushing 1,218 <sup>70</sup> / <sub>100</sub>		
tons stone, at 35 cts.,	426 54	
Martin Bradley, board of Mathew Logan,	8 00	
Henry G. Locke, on account of roller,	25 00	
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		1,586 61
Total Expenditures,		<hr/> <u>\$3,250 80</u> <hr/>

S. H. PIERCE.  
JOHN F. FARRAR.

I have examined the report of the Road Committee, and find it agrees with the bills paid.

W. L. G. PEIRCE, *Auditor.*

## Report of the Board of Health.

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The Board of Health respectfully presents to the Town of Lincoln, its third annual report.

At the last annual town meeting, the membership of the Board remained unchanged and the organization of the previous year was continued through the year 1897.

This Board has held seven regular meetings for consideration of matters pertinent to the public health; also, numerous casual meetings of its members, upon premises to which attention had been called.

Opportunity for a public hearing upon any and all matters rightfully claiming the attention of this Board was presented on the 10th of May, but no complaints were then offered.

At the reasonable request of the Board of Health of the City of Cambridge, the Lincoln Board visited the premises of sundry milk producers, who sold their product in Cambridge, and reported upon the conditions found.

Complaint reached this Board in August from the Board of Health of the adjoining town of Weston, protesting against an intolerable nuisance, emanating from a slaughter-house in the south part of Lincoln. Investigation showed a want of due care in the disposition of putrid offal which had accumulated under the slaughter-house, and was exposed uncovered, upon the ground, for an unnecessary length of time. The proprietor was cautioned, against a repetition of the fault, and no further complaint has been received from that source. In this connection, however, this Board would suggest, as of great importance to the public health, that all slaughter-houses should be permitted only under the license and surveillance of the State Board of Police.

Complaints also reached this Board from the vicinity of a swine-farm, on the Weston road, and the proprietor was ordered to remove the swine from his barn-cellar and thoroughly cleanse the same, which having been done, no further complaint was received from that point.

Much of the offence from these swine-farms, is due to the feeding of city swill to the herds, which has been permitted quite as

long as the public ought to suffer from it; and as such feeding is prohibited in our adjoining towns, this Board considers it a duty to forbid its further use. No citizen should be deprived of the right to breathe pure air however profitable it may be to keep swine; yet if one neglects to defend his right by complaint to this Board, he must suffer the consequences.

The pre-eminent importance of pure air and pure water in the maintenance of the health of individuals and communities, cannot be over estimated; if either are impure, they are unacceptable to a normal nature, which will refuse to admit of either by breathing or drinking *as much* as is needful for the maintenance of the highest degree of health. The result of this privation is an accumulation of "self-produced poisons," which would be prevented by a sufficient supply of both, which would be relished and used in their purity.

Of infectious diseases (so classed) our record shows a single case of typhoid-fever in the month of March, a solitary case of diphtheria, six cases of scarlet-fever of a mild type, and thirty-three cases of measles; the last of all was reported on the eighth of June. Recovery resulted in every case.

As indicative of the general healthfulness of our town, this Board has deemed it advisable to summarize the average age of all who have died in Lincoln within the last ten years, including the year 1897. This average is found to be 48.8 years. The highest average for any year is 56, for the year 1889. The lowest is 40 years in 1894. The last year being next to the highest, is 55 years.

Our average population for the last ten years has been about 1,000. (Census of 1895, 1,111.) The whole number of deaths in this period was 147, giving an average of 14.7 per thousand, per year; or about two-thirds the death rate of the larger cities in this Commonwealth.

In conclusion, this Board would suggest as a duty which every citizen owes to himself and the community in which he lives, to promptly report to this Board all causes worthy of complaint in which disregard of public right to pure air and pure water is manifest.

MOSES W. KIDDER, M. D., *Chairman*,  
SAMUEL H. PIERCE,  
JOS. S. HART.

JULIUS E. EVELETH, *Treasurer Commissioners Trust Funds.*

## IN ACCOUNT WITH

*The George Russell Legacy to the Lincoln Library.*

1897.	DR.	
Feb. 1.	To cash in National Bank of the Commonwealth, Boston	\$167 06
July. 15.	" dividend on 7 shares Fitchburg R.R. preferred stock	14 00
1898.		
Jan. 15.	" " " " " " " "	14 00
		<u>\$195 06</u>

## CR.

1898.		
Feb. 1.	By cash in National Bank of the Commonwealth	<u>\$195 06</u>

## The Fund is invested as follows :

Seven shares Fitchburg R. R. preferred stock.  
 The John Landahl farm; see Town Report, 1896.  
 Cash on deposit as above.

Respectfully submitted,

JULIUS E. EVELETH, *Treasurer.*

LINCOLN, Feb. 1, 1898.

**JULIUS E. EVELETH, Treasurer Commissioners Trust Funds,**

IN ACCOUNT WITH

DR.

1897.

Feb. 4.	To cash received, 6 mos. int. to Feb. 4, 1897, Caroline A. Nye's note,	\$25 00
Aug. 24.	" " received Aug. 4, 1894, Caroline A. Nye's note,	25 00
July 1.	" " dividend 8 shares B. & L. R. R. Corp.,	32 00
" 1.	" " " 13 " West End St. Ry. pref.,	26 00
Sept. 10.	" " 18 mos. int. on note, C. H. Stratton,	135 00
1898.		
Jan. 1.	" " 8 shares B. & L. R. R. Corp.,	32 00
" 1.	" " 13 " West End St. Ry. pref.,	26 00
" 15.	" " received sale of Rights,	6 43
" 18.	" " 6 mos. int. on note, C. H. Stratton to Dec. 15, 1897,	45 00
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		\$352 43

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1897.

Feb. 15.	By cash paid Samuel Hartwell, Treas. Lincoln Library,	\$25 00
Aug. 19.	" " " " " " " "	83 00
Sept. 11.	" " " " " " " "	135 00
1898.		
Jan. 19.	" " " " " " " "	109 43
		<hr/> 352 43

**The Fund is invested as follows:**

Eight shares B. & L. R. R. Corp. stock.

Thirteen shares West End St. Ry. pref. stock.

Caroline A. Nye's note Feb. 4, 1890, 5 years at 5% interest, \$1,000 00

C. H. Stratton's note, June 15, 1891, 2 years at 6% interest,	1,500 00
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Respectfully submitted,

JULIUS E. EVELETH, *Treasurer.*

LINCOLN, Feb. 1, 1898.

I have examined the accounts of the Treasurer of the Trust Funds and find them correct.

W. L. G. PEIRCE, *Auditor.*



JULIUS E. EVELETH, TREASURER, *in account with the* GEO. F. BEMIS  
LECTURE FUND.

1897.		DR.	
Jan. 1.	Balance on dep. with Boston Safe Dep. & Trust Co.,	.	\$475 84
Jan., Apr., July, Oct.	Boston & Albany R. R. Co., dividends,	.	160 00
" " " "	Old Colony R. R. Co.,	"	140 00
" " " "	N. Y., N. H. & H. R. R. Co.,	"	40 00
" " " "	Fitchburg R. R. Co.,	"	80 00
" " " "	Boston & Lowell R. R. Corp.	"	375 00
" Apr. " Oct.	Boston & Prov. R. R. Corp., dividends,	.	200 00
" " " "	West End St. Railway Co.,	"	132 00
" Apr. " Oct.	Am. Bell Telephone Co.,	"	345 00
May	" " " " sale of rights,	.	5 18
June, Dec.	Interest on balance in bank,	.	14 57

\$1,967 59

CR.

Jan., Mar., Apr., Aug., Nov.	R. H. Blodgett & Co., printing,	.	\$62 50
" 13.	Boston Piano Stool Co.,	.	5 50
" 13.	Louis C. Elson, lecture,	.	75 00
" 23.	Rev. Reuben Thomas, lecture,	.	45 45
" 27.	Albert Armstrong,	"	52 00
Feb. 3.	Geo. H. Barton,	"	37 90
" 10.	T. Murai,	"	37 35
" 27.	Curtis Guild, Jr.,	"	65 00
" 17.	M. I. T. Glee Club, concert,	.	83 50
Mar. 10.	H. L. Southwick, lecture,	.	50 00
" 24.	Abel F. Stevens,	"	30 00
Apr. 15.	Kate Tryon,	"	52 55
May 10.	Alonzo Calkins, usher,	.	8 00
" 10.	Clifford Whitney,	"	8 50
" 10.	F. E. Cousins, teaming,	.	14 50
July 30.	N. E. Piano Co., tuning,	.	3 00
" 30.	C. A. Eaton, concert,	.	146 00
Aug. 20.	B. S. D. Trust Co., rent of safe,	.	10 00
" 25.	Hollis Webster, lecture,	.	27 35
Oct. 26.	Mozart Symphony Club, concert,	.	100 00
Nov. 2.	Park Sisters, concert,	.	90 00
" 17.	Leland T. Powers, lecture,	.	85 00
" 24.	Lyman B. Sperry,	"	60 00
Dec. 7.	R. H. Conwell,	"	150 00
" 12.	Felix Winternitz Concert Co., concert,	.	82 00
" 29.	Robarts Harper, lecture,	.	75 00
" 31.	H. A. Sherman, teaming,	.	27 00
	Balance on deposite, B. S. D. T. Co.,	.	484 49

\$1,967 59

The Fund of \$30,000 is invested as follows :

50 shares	Boston & Lowell R. R. Corp ,	value Dec. 31,	\$215 00
20 "	Boston & Prov. R. R. Corp.,	" "	267 50
20 "	Boston & Albany R. R. Co.,	" "	218 50
20 "	Old Colony R. R. Co.,	" "	185 00
20 "	Fitchburg R. R. Co.,	" "	100 75
5 "	N. Y., N. H. & H. R. R. Co.,	" "	183 25
33 "	West End St. Ry. Co., pref.,	" "	102 25
23 "	Am. Bell Telephone Co.,	" "	267 00

Respectfully submitted,

JULIUS E. EVELETH, *Treasurer.*

LINCOLN, Jan. 1, 1898.

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I have examined the accounts of the Treasurer of the Bemis Lecture Fund,  
and find the report correct.

W. L. G. PEIRCE, *Auditor.*

## Report of the Treasurer of the Cemetery Commission.

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Cash on hand Feb. 1, 1897 . . . . .	\$105 50
Dividends on two shares Fitchburg R. R. for 1897 . . . . .	8 00
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Cash on hand Feb. 1, 1898 . . . . .	\$113 50

CHARLES S. SMITH. *Treasurer.*

I have examined the accounts of the Treasurer of the Cemetery Commission and find the report correct.

W. L. G. PEIRCE, *Auditor.*

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## LINCOLN LIBRARY, TREASURER'S REPORT.

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To Town Appropriation (Cash) . . . . .	\$500 00	Balance due Treasurer . . . . .	\$115 48
" " (Dog Tax) . . . . .	235 41	By cash paid T. Wilber Smith, Janitor . . . . .	125 00
" Interest on Tarbell Legacy, including two years' interest on C. H. Stratton mortgage . . . . .	352 43	" " Hulda A. Howes, Librarian . . . . .	150 00
" Income of Codman Fund . . . . .	40 00	" " L. Jennie Chapin, Assistant Librarian . . . . .	150 00
" " Periodical Fund . . . . .	4 10	" " Estella Sherman, services at Library . . . . .	14 00
" Cash for Fines . . . . .	17 89	" " for books, magazines and papers . . . . .	184 03
		" " for binding books and magazines . . . . .	13 47
		" " F. E. Cousins for 15 tons coal . . . . .	93 00
		" " Wm. Barrett, Agent, Insurance on Building . . . . .	63 00
		" " Geo. E. Crosby & Co., for new catalogues . . . . .	233 25
		" " E. W. Russell, painting fence . . . . .	11 37
		" " B. W. Wentworth & Son, painting . . . . .	18 38
		" " Geo. E. Crosby & Co., blanks and slips . . . . .	11 50
		" " Lincoln Water Works, water service . . . . .	10 00
		" " Samuel H. Pierce, care of lawn . . . . .	28 05
		" " James L. Chapin & Son, oil, etc. . . . .	17 87
Receipts . . . . .	\$1,149 83	" " for sundries . . . . .	15 85
Due Treasurer . . . . .	114 42	" " postage, stationery and expense . . . . .	10 00
			\$1,264 25

SAMUEL HARTWELL, *Treasurer.*

I have examined the accounts of the Treasurer of the Public Library, and find them correct.

W. L. G. PEIRCE, *Auditor.*

## REPORT OF THE TRUSTEES OF THE PUBLIC LIBRARY.

LINCOLN, FEB. 1, 1898.

The Trustees of the Public Library submit the report of its Treasurer, and the statistical report of its Librarians; also a list of books purchased during the year.

## STATISTICS.

No. of volumes in Library, Feb. 1, 1897, . . .	6,041
“ “ added the past year, . . .	185
“ “ withdrawn, worn out and lost, . . .	3
	<hr/> 182
“ “ in the Library, Feb. 1, 1898, . . .	<hr/> 6,223
Total delivery of books, . . . . .	4,894
Total registration of borrowers, . . . . .	1,186
Number of names registered during the year, . . .	113



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ANDERSON, <i>Capt.</i> J. History of the 57th regiment of Mass. volunteers .....	341.12
ANGOT, A. The aurora borealis .....	136.25
ANIMAL story book. Lang, A. ....	1223.22
ARNOLD, M. Fitch, <i>Sir</i> J. Thomas and Mathew Arnold .....	626.11
At Agincourt. Henty, G. A. ....	1211.14
AURORA borealis, The. Angot, A. ....	136.25
BAKER, C. A True stories of New England captives carried to Canada during the old French and Indian wars .....	333.8
BARBARA, Blomberg. Ebers, G. ....	911.16
BARNES, J. A loyal traitor .....	911.11
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BRITTON, N. L. <i>and</i> Brown A. Illustrated flora of northern U. S. <i>and</i> Canada .....	141.1
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BROWNING, E. B. Letters, edited by F. G. Kenyon .....	621.10
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BURTON, I. A. <i>Lady</i> . Wilkins, W. H. The romance of Isabel <i>Lady</i> Burton .....	621.8
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CHAMPION, S. E. Our flag; its history, 1620-1896.....	346.7
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EWING, J. H. Leaves from (her) Canada home. Tucker, E. S..	622.15
EYE-spy; afield with nature. Gibson, W. H.....	143.1
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FITCH, Sir J. Thomas and Mathew Arnold .....	626.11
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GIBSON, W. H. Eye-spy.....	143.1
GOLDEN age, The. Grahame, K.....	1021.24
GRAHAME, K. The golden age .....	1021.24
GREENHALGE, F. T. Commemoration of life and services by Mass.	
General Court .....	531.17
GYPSEY moth. <i>See</i> Mass. Board of Agriculture. Report 1896....	Ref.
HARRIS, J. C. Story of Aaron.....	1221.4
HART, A. B., <i>Ed.</i> American history told by contemporaries; vol.	
I. Era of colonization, 1492-1630.....	333.9
HAWKINS, (Anthony Hope). Phroso.....	1027.17
HAWTHORNE, N. Lathrop, R. H. Memories of Hawthorne .....	626.8
HEART of a continent; travels in Manchuria, etc. Younghusband,	
F. E. ....	431.11
HENTY, G. A. At Agincourt.....	1211.14
HOLCOMBE, C. The real Chinaman.....	435.18
HOWELLS, W. D. The landlord at Lion's Head.....	911.4
HUGHES, T. Vacation rambles .....	436.8
HUGH, Wynne. Free Quaker. Mitchell, S. W.....	911.17
HYATT, J. and Arms, J. M. Insecta.....	147.1
IN brook and bayou. Bayliss, C. K.....	136.23
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INSECTA. Hyatt, A. and Arms, J. M. (Guides for science teaching)	147.1
ITALY in the 19th century. Latimer, E. W.....	333.7
JOWETT, B. Abbott E. and Campbell, L. Life and letters of Benjamin Jowett, master of Balliol College.....	624.13
JESSAMY bride, The. Moore, F.....	911.18
KENDALL, Rev. S. Robinson, G. A. Biographical sketch of Rev. Samuel Kendall.....	531.15
KENYON, F. G., <i>Ed.</i> Letters of E. B. Browning .....	621.10
KIPLING, R. Ballads and barrack-room ballads.....	1424.4
Captains courageous .....	911.15
The second jungle book.....	1223.23
The seven seas.....	1424.5
KING Noanett. Stimpson, F. J.....	911.1
KING's revenge. Bray, C.....	928.10
KOVALEVSKY, S. Vera Verontzoff .....	928.11

LANDLORD at Lion's Head. Howells, W. D.....	911.4
LANG, A. Animal story book .....	1223.22
LATHROP, R. H. Memories of Hawthorne.....	626.8
LATIMER, E. W. Italy in the 19th century.....	333.7
LECKEY, W. H. Democracy and liberty.....	137.4
LEO XIII., Pope. McCarthy, J.....	627.14
LITERATURE. Warner, C. D. The relation of literature to life....	1315.7
LOYAL traitor, A. Barnes, J.....	911 11
MCCARTHY, J. Pope Leo XIII.....	627.14
MARDEN, O. S. Pushing to the front.....	1313.2
MARTIN, W. A. P. A cycle of Cathay, or, China, south and north.	436.7
MASSACHUSETTS. Board of Agriculture. Report on the gypsy moth, 1896 .....	Ref.
General Court. In commemoration of life and public services of Frederic T. Greenhalge .....	531.17
MERRIAM, G. S., Ed. Story of William and Lucy Smith.....	624.12
MERRIMAN, H. S. The sowers.....	1021.23
With edged tools.....	911.19
MIDSHIPMAN Farragut. Barnes, J.....	1211.13
MILLER, J. R. Story of a busy life; recollections of Mrs. G. A. Paull .....	628.1
MISS Archer Archer. Burnham, C. L.....	911.8
MISTRESS of Brae Farm. Cary, R. N.....	911.3
MITCHELL, S. W. Hugh Wynne, Free Quaker.....	911.17
MONTGOMERY, H. H. The light of Melanesia.....	432.5
MOORE, F. The Jessamy bride.....	911.18
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ANNUAL REPORT  
OF THE  
SCHOOL COMMITTEE  
OF THE  
TOWN OF LINCOLN,  
FOR THE  
SCHOOL YEAR 1897.





# SCHOOL COMMITTEE.

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JULIUS E. EVELETH, Chairman,	.	Term expires 1899
EDWARD R. FARRAR, Secretary,	.	" " 1898
FRANCIS R. JONES,	. . .	" " 1900
LEWIS T. McKENNEY,	. . . .	Superintendent

Regular meetings last Monday of each month, at four o'clock, except in July.

## TEACHERS :

### *High School.*

ERNEST W. SMALL, A. R., Principal.

ANNA PRESCOTT SHERMAN, A. B., Assistant.

### *Centre Grammar.*

CARRIE B. CHAPIN.

### *Centre Primary.*

HARRIETTE F. SAWIN, A. B.      NELLIE M. NEWTON, Assistant.

### *South Grammar.*

BESSIE F. MOORE.

### *South Primary.*

HATTIE B. HEATH.

## JANITORS :

### *Centre.*

GEORGE L. CHAPIN.

### *South.*

JOHN P. BOYCE.

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## REPORT OF THE SCHOOL COMMITTEE.

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As required by a statute of the Commonwealth, the School Committee respectfully submit a report of the executive department of the school management for the year 1897; the appended report of the Superintendent being a summary of the progress, condition and requirements of the instructive administration of the schools of the Town.

We have occasion to report a change in the membership of the Board by the retirement of Mr. George Flint, and the election of Mr. Francis R. Jones. We feel constrained to kindly refer to the many years of conscientious labor in behalf of the schools, rendered the Town by the retiring member.

Notwithstanding a somewhat divided opinion on the part of the citizens as to the feasibility of employing a skilled superintendent, your Committee feel it to be a cause for congratulation that Mr. McKenney was retained.

The transfer of Miss Nellie M. Newton, and the resignation of Miss Marion H. Morgan, rendered it necessary to supply a new corps of teachers for the South School. The vacancies were filled by the election of Miss Bessie F. Moore for the grammar department, and Miss Hattie B. Heath for the primary. The Committee have only words of commendation and approval of the methods of the new organization, both as regards discipline and general school instruction.

The management of the Centre School remains under the direction of Miss Chapin and Miss Sawin, with the assistance of Miss Newton in the primary department, — a vacancy having been made by the resignation of Miss Lizzie Chapin, who had filled the position satisfactorily for a short period during the Spring term. To say that affairs in this

school have been conducted with more than usual smoothness and efficiency in all of its branches, is but simple justice done the instructors; their previous yearly election being a guarantee of the value of past services. We should not lose sight of the fact, however, that a more profitable administration of the responsible duties might be conducted, and to the advantage of the whole school, were the existing conditions more favorable to a proper classification.

We regret our inability to register a larger number of promotions to the High School at the beginning of the Autumn term. But three pupils were admitted. The Committee are, however, happy to report a more encouraging outlook for the future, with a prospective class of ten or more to swell the decimated ranks of the school another year. We sincerely hope that these pupils may take full advantage of the opportunity offered them while age and conditions are favorable.

The High School continues under the charge of Mr. Small as during the past year, and bears the impress of prosperity in everything but numbers. Six pupils were graduated in June, viz.: Miss Mary L. Wheeler, Miss Jennie B. Bent, Miss Mary A. Dec, Miss Katherine F. McHugh, Miss Jennie M. McHugh, and Mr. Clifford B. Whitney. A part of the class, however, seemed loth to retire from the healthy and genial influence of teacher and surroundings. A disposition on the part of these pupils to remain another year and take a post-graduate course was met with encouragement by a majority of the Committee, not alone as a favor to the few ambitious scholars, but as a privilege to which they were fairly and justly entitled, if not by a statute of the Commonwealth, at least by the unwritten law of common usage regulating the proper needs of a higher and broader education.

We might here remark that in all communities where full value is attached to the importance of a High School training, a period of four years is accounted the shortest avail-

able time for a profitable course of study commensurate with the requirements of such a school. The laxity and indifference with which this subject is treated in many sections of the state, has aroused the friends of education to the importance of legislative interference and ere long we hope to see the youth of this commonwealth sharing alike in the benefits of our public schools, regardless of town, county or section. Granting this, and inasmuch as our present system admits of but three years as a complete course, it is plainly obvious that, although in a sense an innovation, the admitting of this fourth-year class is but simple justice due the High School scholars of Lincoln, and only places them on an equality with their more fortunate neighbors in adjoining towns. It should not be to the disadvantage of our youth to be reared and educated in this delightful locality. There should be no vantage ground across our border. Where nature is lavish, art should not be laggard.

Again, the course pursued by this class cannot fail to stimulate the ambition of others who may follow after, and even now, its salutary influence on the entire school is noticeable beyond a question. To carry out this plan effectively and obtain the best results, it was found necessary to employ an assistant, although an attempt was made, for the sake of economy, to conduct the whole management with a single teacher. For the good of all concerned this plan was soon abandoned.

A question might here be raised, and justly, as to why an additional teacher was required in consequence of so small an increase of scholars. The answer may be construed as follows: A small school has the same number of classes, a corresponding round of recitations, and consumes the same amount of the principal's time as does a large one, and as an assistant is important in every large school, it can readily be seen that the addition of an extra class to the regular work would render such aid indispensable in the case at issue. A further question regarding the disproportionate



increase of expense to that of pupils might be answered in this wise: Only one-half of each school-day is given by the assistant to the entire work, and three-fifths of that time is devoted to the better carrying out of the regular school instruction, leaving but two-fifths of each half-day to be consumed by the invading class. Thus it is plain that the actual amount of time credited to the post graduates is reduced to a minimum, and the whole school is also receiving a benefit proportionate to its share of the extra expense. The old adage, "What is worth doing at all is worth doing well," seems to lose nothing of its original force. To fill this important position your Committee were fortunate in securing the services of a recent graduate of Mt. Holyoke, Miss Anna P. Sherman.

As a result of the improvements made in the school buildings during the previous year, very little was found needful in the way of repairs, merely contingent items which occur yearly.

It became necessary, however, to make several changes in the barge system, inasmuch as the increase of pupils for transportation rendered the South and East barges insufficient for their respective demands. To remedy this condition of affairs, the old East barge was advantageously disposed of, a transfer made of the South barge to the East district, and a more commodious and stronger vehicle purchased for use at the South district. The carriages are now in good condition, having been newly curtained and made comfortable for stormy and severe weather.

Referring to the increase of scholars for transportation, we are reminded of the fact that the same increase extends to the school-room, and, as the walls are somewhat arbitrary in their construction, not admitting of the same manipulation possible to the barges, an extension of its limited space is impossible. In fact, extra desks would have been found absolutely necessary in the grammar room during the present term, but for the removal of two or more pupils to a



distant town. Considering the natural yearly increase of the past, it seems fair to presume that the future will deal with us as generously. Not wishing to be presumptuous, we would predict a much larger ratio of increase in the years to come. The plan of centralization is, without a question, a step forward, and admits of no retraction. The desirable results are noticeable in a marked degree, and prove the theory of contact and example, as advanced by all students of education. The attempt at grade separation, as far as it could be carried out with our limited space, has eliminated many of the objectionable features which formerly existed in the school management. A manifold increase in improvement could still be made by a further subdivision, but unfortunately our present quarters will not admit of the needed change.

Among the existing evils caused by restricted space, perhaps the most prominent and most severely felt is the loss of a year of valuable time to every pupil in the grammar department. Every scholar enters our High School handicapped on this account, and he is debarred absolutely from admittance to an out-of-town high school. Another year must be added to his grammar school training to insure a promotion. It is perhaps well understood that all properly conducted public schools of the present day require nine years in the primary and grammar grades; while our system admits of but eight, and with our present lack of room we are destined to continue robbing our children of the most valuable year for study of their school life. A still greater importance may be attached to this ninth year inasmuch as many of our pupils close their student life when they retire from the grammar school. To such, the time is invaluable. It will be impossible to raise the standard of our schools to the perfection desirable, under the present conditions.

Now if we consider our situation to be an impediment to progress, and if we are interested in the welfare and advancement of our schools, we ask in all candor if it requires a prophet to predict the absolute needs of the near future. A

physician may diagnose your case ever so well, and inform you wherein lie all impediments to good health, but if he prescribes no remedy for your malady, he does you little good.

There is a help for our diseased school system; a commodious school building which will allow the introduction of modern school methods, and, until we have such, the serious loss previously mentioned must continue as a consequence. Furthermore, it is well understood that the Town Hall was the only available refuge for the overflow of the Centre School. The Committee asked for its temporary use in view of that fact, and as a last and only remedy for the existing disabilities attached to our schools. The granting of its use was of vital importance to the management at that time, and still continues to be indispensable. But how long a period of time does the word temporary embrace, and shall we continue indefinitely to encroach on the good nature and sentiment of the public generally, not to mention the closer friends of the donor, bearing in mind that we have no other possible recourse at present? We leave these few suggestions to the consideration of our townsmen, feeling assured that the present nebulous and vapory formation will, in the near future, assume tangible and definite shape.

Again referring to the skilled supervision of schools, it seems fair to state that the matter has been a subject for discussion and honest difference of opinion since its first inception. Twenty years ago the cities of Massachusetts occupied the same position relatively that the towns do to-day, viz., a majority in favor of, and a large minority opposed to, the system. What seemed problematical and vague at that time, on account of its apparent invasion upon the duties of the regular School Board, has since been accepted as a valuable auxiliary to the army of educational workers. To-day the cities, as well as the large towns, are practically a unit in favor of the Superintendent for the educational management of the school-room, relegating the School Committee to the executive department. No layman

can possibly keep in touch with the duties required of the skilled professional, whose entire time is devoted to the grading and classifying of schools, the preparation of courses of study, the selection and management of teachers, and the numerous other requirements so indispensable to the profitable management of a modern school.

The good results obtained from this method in the cities and metropolitan towns were quickly noted by the enterprising villages, and as a consequence, the formation of groups in lieu of the larger communities followed so rapidly one after another, that to-day, according to the report of the State Board of Education, but nine per cent of all the schools, representing but six per cent of all the pupils of this Commonwealth, are under the old method of administration. As the expense of such supervision could hardly be borne by the individual towns, and for the purpose of encouraging the formation of these unions, a law was enacted making the state responsible for an amount equivalent to two-thirds of the salary of the average superintendent. This applies only to the collective formations, and not to the single towns employing their own superintendent. These latter must bear the entire expense without the state aid. As a result of the above-mentioned figures, and inasmuch as a majority of the towns, unable to form satisfactory unions, were in favor of so doing, the State Board of Education, the State Association of Teachers, the Governor, and many other prominent men interested in the most approved methods of education, heartily urged the enactment of a law making compulsory the formation of groups and the employment of superintendents. While the bill introduced failed, for various reasons, to become a statute of the Commonwealth, its passage in the near future seems almost assured. The key note has been sounded, and like many another inspiring strain, heralds the coming of innumerable followers. The advance of improvement may, for a time, be held in check, but can never be turned back or vanquished.

Granting the hypothesis to be correct, and should the Town of Lincoln decide to retire from its present group, the



geographical position would be rendered somewhat unique. Surrounded entirely by towns either employing their own superintendents, or belonging already to other group formations, our town would stand quite alone. We wish here to emphasize the fact that but four towns can be successfully grouped together, and that the fourth place in our present union would, in the event of an adverse decision, be immediately filled by a waiting town. Now, considering the advantages to be gained by our present arrangement, including of course among other important items, the trifling expense incurred, would it not be sound judgment to continue for the present with our existing method?

In conclusion, your Committee would earnestly request an impartial examination of the suggestions made in their report, fully realizing that much of its substance may not be in full accord with the popular sentiment of the town. Where large expenditures of money are involved, it behooves all good citizens to examine closely into the actual requirements as proposed by any committee or board of town officials. On the other hand, if in the judgment of such officials the proposed needs and requirements actually do exist, and the deficiencies are an impediment to the progress and general thrift of the community, no honest body of public servants would feel that they had discharged their full trust or fulfilled their entire obligations if such suggestions were withheld. However well meaning, their propositions might not meet, for various reasons, with full approval. Among the most prominent, perhaps, we might mention the economical administration of town affairs. No citizen can more fully appreciate the entire meaning of this term or place a higher value on the results of judicious expenditures than your public officer. Still, his careful investigation of the subject at issue, and a feeling of responsibility as to its logical treatment, may more fully impress its importance upon his mind. A careful examination into the future may outweigh a snap judgment; and a seemingly extravagant expenditure may appear in the light of a future economy. All great improvements are made with a view to prospective needs.

What subject deals more largely with the coming prosperity of a thriving town than the question of public schools? What adds more to the reputation of a community than this one item of town administration? What stimulates its growth to a greater degree than to be known as an intelligent and refined community where a high value is attached to education? Does the inquiry of the prospective resident in regard to the schools of the town signify anything? Is it not the first question propounded by him, and if answered satisfactorily is not the value of a homestead enhanced in his estimation? No one point of excellence is referred to with more pride and satisfaction by the resident of a town than a well conducted and efficient school system.

Your Committee offer these suggestions as an object lesson to the community at large, and as a partial key to their estimates of needs and requirements. The esteem in which our Commonwealth is held in all parts of the intelligent world is based almost entirely upon its high standard of education. No citizen of Massachusetts can forego a feeling of pride and satisfaction in the home of his nativity, who has ever registered his name in a foreign country. A reputation for intelligence and refinement travels farther, and carries with it more weight of influence, than does that of wealth, as it bears no impress of accident.

With a full sense of the importance of an education to the rising generation, and conceding the lack of real earnest intention on the part of the average youth, it behooves us to examine into the existing conditions by which his school life is surrounded, and aid in every way in developing a desire for, and an appreciation of, the only acquisition which can never be taken from him, and which will serve his purpose well in the absence of all other helps to fortune and good citizenship.

JULIUS E. EVELETH, }  
EDWARD R. FARRAR, } *Committee.*



## MINORITY REPORT.

I heartily concur with all that is said in the report of the majority of the School Committee, save upon one subject, and that is of such vital and far-reaching importance and consequences that I cannot conscientiously remain altogether silent, although I am aware that I am one of a very small minority of those who have deliberately considered the matter.

The question between a three or four years' course in the High School is of grave import in more ways than one. The fundamental principle underlying our whole system of free public instruction is, I take it, to ensure that each generation as it grows to maturity shall have a good working education that will fit the youth to do their work in the world and enable them to understandingly determine political issues. It is obvious that this principle has been so far extended today, that it is necessary to go beyond the limits reached by prior times and carry the education of each child to the point where, if the pupil has any gift or predilection for either of the sciences, or humanities, that talent may be discovered. It is useless to discuss whether this extension is wise in practice or sound in theory. It is an accomplished fact, from which no retrogression is practicable or even possible. But to go beyond this limit seems to me to be unwise, undesirable, and socialistic in such a community, at least, as ours. If a pupil has real talent, he will surely find some way to develop it. I believe that nothing can be more unfortunate than for the ordinary run of boys and girls to reach the equivocal position of being fitted for college and never going there. At that stage they have acquired a smattering of many things, and an elementary introduction to some great subjects, all of which, if not carried further, are worse than useless. Their time has been consumed in

looking through gateways, which lead for them nowhere. Their minds are bewildered by a multitude of subjects, the very meaning of which they necessarily imperfectly understand, and they are unsettled by their transitory view of fair fields to which they may never come. But greatest of all they know not any one thing well, and have no firm grasp on any subject. I should much prefer to see the course in the High School cut down to two years than extended to four.

The practical question of finance leads to the same conclusion. If the town of Lincoln cannot or will not appropriate more money for the use of the public schools, in my judgment the sum allowed can be far more profitably expended in improving the teaching force and facilities and efficiency in the Grammar schools, of which there is great need, than in extending the course in the High school. The fundamental requisites for the intelligent understanding of things as they are, will always be taught in the grammar schools of Massachusetts, and it is of the first importance that those requisites should be taught thoroughly in order that they may be learned lastingly.

In conclusion, I cannot refrain from adding a few words from the Statutes of the Commonwealth in regard to the lack of adequate accommodation afforded by the present school houses. By Public Statutes, ch. 44, sec. 46. Every town is required to "provide and maintain a sufficient number of school houses . . . for the accommodation of all the children therein entitled to attend the public schools," and a town which refuses or neglects to comply with this requirement "shall forfeit not less than \$500." In other words, neglect by any town to provide sufficient accommodations for pupils is made a penal offence.

FRANCIS R. JONES.

## Report of the Superintendent of Schools.

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*To the School Committee of Lincoln:*

GENTLEMEN:—I herewith submit my seventh annual report of the schools, for the year 1897.

Believing that the average citizen understands the public schools less than any other department of town business, it has been my aim in these reports to make as plain as possible, in brief space, the *Work, Condition* and *Needs* of the Schools, and at the same time bring all matters of importance connected with the schools to the attention of the School Committee.

To that end this report will deal with school matters under these three heads, and public attention is earnestly directed to a consideration of the same.

### WORK OF THE SCHOOLS.

No innovations have been attempted in the school work during the year. Effort has been directed rather to securing better results along existing lines.

*History.* The change in the method of teaching history, explained in my report three years ago, is proving an improvement over the former plan. The following advantages may be fairly claimed for the new method. Pupils learn more history and less text-book; they study more for the thought, less for the words; they acquire a more comprehensive view of the subject, and read more understandingly.

*Penmanship.* This is to be said of the system of vertical penmanship introduced in the fall of 1896. An expert penman can produce no such beautiful writing in the vertical, as he could in the slant hand. But pupils are not experts; those who could write beautifully under the slant system were rare, and few who could even write legibly. On the

other hand, nearly all pupils readily write a good legible hand in the vertical system. This system, too, admits of a better position at the desk, and, I believe, of greater rapidity also, when fully mastered.

To secure the best results, two things of the greatest importance should be insisted on, viz: An *upright, easy position should be constantly required until it becomes a habit; and the arm combined with the finger movement should be carefully and persistently taught.*

This system thus taught will secure ease, rapidity and legibility — the three essentials of good writing. To acquire a good, permanent, practical hand-writing pupils should give as careful attention to the penmanship in all written work as when writing in the copy books.

*Spelling.* It has been claimed that the spelling in the schools now is not as good as it was a generation ago. This has been refuted by comparing papers that came from schools in this and other counties in Massachusetts twenty or thirty years ago, with papers taken from the same schools during the past few years. The comparison was found favorable to the present. It is quite possible, however, that the pupils of that time, in the “spelling match,” could have spelled down the pupils of the present.

The spelling in school then was for the most part oral; now it is for the most part written. The one is as much a mistake as the other. To spell only *orally* gives little opportunity to make any practical *use* of spelling, and the pupils ability to spell appears to a disadvantage in his written work. On the other hand, only *written* spelling enables the pupil to make but little use of the sense of sound in learning to spell, and confines him almost wholly to the sense of sight; in other words, he is able to use but half his natural means of learning to spell; but he has a better practical use of what he has learned, and will appear to better advantage in his written work. In oral spelling the pupil's own pronunciation greatly facilitates the use of his sense of sound, and making a slight pause after each



syllable as he spells, gives him an important advantage that he does not have in written spelling, and teaches him also to properly divide words into syllables. In a word, oral spelling teaches to spell; written spelling applies what is learned. Combine these methods and the best results may be secured. The lesson should first be spelled orally, then written. Perfect spelling lessons should always be required, and any words missed in the recitation should be learned by the pupils missing them before studying the next lesson. Frequent oral reviews should be given in spelling matches, and all misspelled words should be learned by those missing them.

In all written words accurate spelling should be required, and constant reference to the dictionary should be taught.

*Language.* Those who gave attention to the exhibit of school work in the Town Hall last June have some idea of what is being done in language instruction, as well as in other subjects.

I am confident that improvement has been made in this subject during the last few years, especially so in some schools. But much yet remains to be done in the way of better language teaching. We are far from bed-rock principles, far from the simple methods that lead to direct, definite results.

Writing and spelling are only *means* to the more important *end* of written expression. As the end is more important than the means, so is securing it more difficult.

The instruction should be simple, direct, progressive. From the time the child enters school he should be taught to know and to make simple, complete, statements; taught to talk fully, freely, correctly in all of his oral work. Then he should be taught to write as he speaks—to “talk with the pen.”

Pupils need much practice in speaking and writing simple English, especially in writing it. Oral recitations furnish abundant practice in spoken language, if pupils are carefully corrected. Written language should be required through the whole school course, from simple statements in the first



grade to accounts of whatever the child sees, learns or experiences as he advances to the upper grammar grades, and there, in addition to frequent written recitations, written tests, letters, compositions, and neat, accurate note-book work, pupils should be required to write all they can in ten-minute exercises every day on familiar subjects, giving careful attention to *penmanship*, *spelling*, *punctuation*, and *capitals* as well as to accuracy of expression. Teach to use the *means* of written expression to the *end* of clearness and accuracy in simple statement.

*Reading.* Children learn to read earlier under modern methods of instruction than they did under the old system. They undoubtedly read better also at the age of twelve or fourteen years than pupils did a generation ago, and there are fewer very poor readers now than then. But the best results are not yet secured.

Teaching reading is something more than teaching to read. It is not enough that pupils read fluently, not enough even, that they learn to like and appreciate good literature. They should get inspiration and ennobling influence from it.

The tendency of modern methods is to have pupils read a reading book through but once, to have the pupils of each grade read several books of the same number in different series, scarcely reading the same selection twice. In contrast to this the old plan had pupils read the same book so much that they could read as well looking out of the window as on the book, and there was scarcely any reference to authors.

The old method had pupils read too few books, the modern method has them read too many. The latter is the greater mistake. There is more danger that pupils read too many books than that they read a few books too much.

For the drill reading, readers should be provided containing the best selections in our language. These books pupils may profitably read through several times, and some of the selections should be read many times until the language is fixed in memory, and the spirit of the piece has made a

lasting impression. Pupils should be drilled to read some fine selections in concert until they can render them with good expression. The language of these old pieces read over and over again at school will linger in memory in years to come, and their spirit and beauty will remain with a lasting and ennobling influence. Thus may the grandest and best in prose and poetry make indelible impression and become a part of the woof and fibre of youth.

The reading, however, should not be confined to one book, as under the old regime. Suitable supplementary reading should be supplied and pupils should be led to a liberal and intelligent use of the public library.

Children should also be taught to know the author of everything they read—not simply the author's name, but something of his life, especially, his childhood and youth.

The aim should be that children read some of the best things thoroughly, that they read widely, understandingly, appreciatively, and that what they read exert an influence in moulding character.

*Arithmetic.* Whether arithmetic is taught better now than formerly is a question that admits of some doubt. In the first few years numbers probably are, but numbers are not arithmetic. There is too much written drill in fundamental operations; too little drill in rapid combination; too much mechanical, too little mental, work; too little abstract reasoning and analysis. Pupils often do not know whether to multiply or divide, because they have not been taught abstract reasoning. They are taught *how* rather than *why*, and they try to remember the method instead of reasoning out the process. Arithmetic is a matter of reason not of memory, and *pupils should be taught to reason by analysis*. They should use books with answers to the problems at least, so that they may know whether they get the right result, and if not, review their work for mistakes or reason the problem through to see whether the wrong method has been used. There is no danger in using answers. The test of the pupils work is not in his answer to the problem but

in his explanation of the process. The answer is for his benefit rather than the teacher's, why deprive him of it?

There should be much mental work, drill in rapid combination, and, above all, careful analytical explanation should be required at the board through all the grades.

Space will not permit consideration of all the subjects taught, nor a very full consideration of those mentioned. I have endeavored to outline briefly how some of the more important should be taught, and earnest efforts are being made to teach them in our schools along the lines here indicated, with the hope that better results will be secured.

#### CONDITION OF THE SCHOOLS.

The transfer of the two upper grades from the South schools to the Centre, and the transportation of the pupils from the North to the Centre, have proved to be moves in the right direction.

This change has left three grades in each room at the South with thirty-one pupils in the grammar room and thirty-six in the primary. The work has materially improved in these schools since the change, especially during the fall term.

The condition of the pupils transferred from the North to the Centre has been much improved by their association with larger numbers, by having their work better classified and graded, and by better instruction than they could receive in the mixed school at the North.

At the Centre the schools are in better condition than before the transfer of the High School to the Town Hall. There are four grades in each room, with about fifty pupils in the primary, and forty-five in the grammar.

With two teachers in the primary school, the work of the four grades there can be fairly well conducted. But the work of four grades in the grammar room is absolutely more than one teacher can do. A class in language and one in arithmetic from that school have therefore recited daily to Miss Sawin in the lower room, during the fall term, as has

also a class in drawing twice a week. This takes an hour a day of Miss Sawin's time, all of which she very much needs for her own school. With this assistance given to the grammar school, the work is still too much for the teacher there. I would recommend that Miss Sherman, now employed for part time to assist in the High School, be employed for full time and teach the language and grammar to the four classes in the Centre grammar school. Miss Sherman would then teach all of the English from the fourth grade up to, and through, the High School. This would give opportunity for departmental work, and better teaching would be likely to result than would be the case if several teachers taught this subject, each for a part of the time. It would relieve the pressure of work in the grammar room, and at the same time obviate the necessity of Miss Sawin's taking a part of it, and thus allow her to devote her whole time to her own school.

#### CHANGES OF TEACHERS.

During the spring term Miss Grace R. Farrar resigned as assistant in the Centre primary school, and Miss Chapin filled the position till the end of the term. Miss Nellie M. Newton was then transferred by request, from the South grammar school to this position, again made vacant by the resignation of Miss Chapin.

Miss Bessie F. Moore, of Gorham, N. H., a normal school graduate, and a teacher of considerable experience, was elected to fill the vacancy caused by the transfer of Miss Newton.

Miss Hattie B. Heath of Easton, Mass., was elected in the summer to fill the position caused by the resignation of Miss Morgan from the South primary school.

Under these changes the schools have been conducted very successfully, all the teachers doing excellent work. It is much to be regretted now that Miss Moore is about to leave us to accept a position in Quincy.



## THE HIGH SCHOOL.

The High School is doing good work, considering existing conditions, as evinced at the school exhibit, and in its graduating exercises.

Although a school be small it is impossible for one teacher to conduct all the work in a three-years' high school course in any such satisfactory manner as may be done in a large school with several teachers, each having but few subjects to teach; it is number of subjects and number of classes taught that take time, and not number of pupils. More teaching force was needed in the school last year with these classes, and when those pupils who graduated in June asked the privilege of returning for another year's study, an assistant was absolutely necessary, if their request was granted, for this meant practically the addition of another year to the course of studies. Miss Anna Prescott Sherman was, therefore, employed as assistant for half time, as was done a few years ago, when Miss Scripture was employed as assistant in the High School under similar circumstances. This arrangement, at small cost, enabled the Committee to grant the privilege of another year's study to deserving and ambitious pupils whose parents could ill afford to send them away to school. At the same time it materially improves the advantages of the other children in the school.

Four years in the high school is a privilege to which all pupils are justly entitled. It is provided in all cities and in most towns in the state, and in the near future will be universally demanded by public statute.

## DRAWING.

I wish to repeat my recommendation of last year that a drawing teacher be employed to direct the teaching in this subject in all the schools as the music teacher does music. And I desire to emphasize this recommendation as much as possible, without reiterating the reasons then given for it.



## NEEDS OF THE SCHOOLS.

Referring again to the High School, I wish to direct attention to the fact that it is temporarily lodged in the Town Hall with no laboratory accommodations, no recitation room—both highly essential to good work,—no conveniences of any kind, simply a place to assemble in, wholly inadequate to the needs and requirements of the school. The Town Hall is little better fitted for the accommodation of a school than for the residence of a family. It is also needed for other purposes, and I presume no one thought when the school was placed in it that it would have to remain there until now. The school should not be continued where it is longer than the time necessary to provide a permanent and suitable building for it. The welfare of the school demands this and there is probably a limit to the forbearance of those who permit this obstruction in the Town building.

I strongly recommend one of two plans with reference to the High School. Either that it maintain an English, and a classical course of studies, each of four years in length; that it be suitably housed and equipped and that it be provided with such teaching force as is needed to give instruction that will prepare pupils for admission to state normal schools, or colleges; or, if these provisions be not made, I recommend that the school be closed, and the pupils be sent, at the town's expense, to some high school where these advantages are provided.

These recommendations should receive early and careful consideration. They are likely to become legal requirements before the adjournment of the present Legislature. The following is part of a bill that will be reported to the Legislature and is likely to receive enactment:

“ Every city, and every town of five hundred families or householders according to the latest public census taken by the authority either of the Commonwealth or of the United States, shall, and any other town may, maintain a high school, *adequately equipped*, to be kept by a principal and

such assistants as may be needed, of competent ability and good morals, who shall give instruction in such subjects designated in section one as it may be deemed expedient to teach in the high school, and in such additional subjects as may be required for the general purpose of training and culture as well as for the special purpose of preparing pupils for admission to state normal schools, technical schools, or colleges. Such high school shall maintain one or more courses of study, *at least four years in length*, and shall be kept for the benefit of all the inhabitants of the town or city, *forty weeks at least*, exclusive of vacations, in each year. A town may, if it chooses, meet only a portion of the foregoing requirements in its own high school, *provided*, that it shall make adequate provisions for meeting the rest of said requirements in the high school of another town or city.

Any town of less than five hundred families or householders, in which a public high school or a public school of *corresponding grade* is not maintained, shall pay for the tuition of any child who resides in said town and who attends the high school of another town or city," etc.

The italics in the above are mine except the word "provided."

From the foregoing it will be seen that efforts are being made, wisely and justly as I believe, to provide, by legal enactment, as nearly as possible equal school advantages and privileges for all children in the state.

Much as the High School needs better building accommodations, it needs them no more than do the Centre primary and grammar schools. The former has filled the lower room with over fifty pupils, and the recitation room is so small that it has been hardly possible to crowd into it some of the classes that recite to the assistant. The latter has numbered more than the seating capacity of the upper room. Three rooms are greatly needed to accommodate these schools with their present numbers. But their numbers are increasing and more room must soon be provided.

There should be a course of studies of nine years below the High School instead of eight as at present. This is essential to a proper preparation of pupils to enter the High School here or elsewhere, and it is still more needful for those pupils who do not go to any high school. With this arrangement three rooms would easily accommodate three grades in each, as we now have at the South, with each school provided with its own teacher and entirely separated from the others.

In a word our school conditions are these: We have but eight years of schooling below the High School, while most towns have nine; but three years in the High School, while most towns have four. We are thus expected to accomplish as much in eleven years of school work, even under the adverse conditions already mentioned, as other towns do in thirteen years under favorable circumstances; and shortly this will not only be expected by Lincoln citizens, but will be required by legal statute. Shall this condition of affairs continue? Does the town place so much higher value upon a dollar than upon a child that it will restrict its children to two years less schooling than is given elsewhere in the state, and furnish house-room wholly inadequate and insufficient, while in the percentage of its valuation appropriated to public school purposes it ranks almost last in the list of towns and cities in Massachusetts, as shown in my last report?

Fifty children were once demanded as hostages from the Spartans. They offered one hundred men of distinction instead, deeming fifty children of more value than one hundred honored men, and the wisdom of this act has been commended. The children are of greater moment to a state than its adults. The adults will become little better or worse. In the children are boundless possibilities of good or evil. The children of Lincoln are of more value than all its money or its men. Their training means prosperity or disaster. The kind of schools that are maintained will

determine largely the future condition of the community and of the country.

Why should the erection of a proper school building be postponed? It is only a question of time when it *must be built*, and if there is any financial saving by delay, it is doubly lost in the loss to the children of their proper privileges.

School buildings should be more than house room for the schools. They should be substantial structures of architectural beauty,—monuments of pride in our free schools,—the safe-guard of a free state.

Before closing this report I wish to say that the community should be grateful to the teachers for the faithfulness and efficiency of their work under adverse, and often trying, conditions. I desire also to express my appreciation of the substantial assistance and encouragement the teachers and I have received from the Committee, who have done everything in their power to improve the condition, and advance the interests, of the schools. I am also mindful of the spirit of good-will that the community has shown towards the schools, and which has gone far to make pleasant and successful the efforts of all who have labored during the past year in the educational interests of Lincoln.

Respectfully submitted,

LEWIS T. McKENNEY,

*Superintendent of Schools.*



## Report of the Supervisor of Music.

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MR. L. T. McKENNEY,

*Superintendent of Schools.*

DEAR SIR:—

I am glad to report progress in the department of music during the year past. Although sickness prevented my personal supervision for eleven weeks during the fall term. I find by comparing my memorandums of last year with this that most of the schools are in advance of last year, especially is this the case with the primary and grammar schools at the centre. At these schools the teachers knew my plan of work and carried it on much the same as if I had been there.

At the South school, although the teachers were unacquainted with my way of teaching, the work was carried on, and today the South school is making good progress, and I hope by the end of the school year to have it ahead of last year's classes.

In the primary schools we are using the same material as last year, namely the first series of charts (New and improved normal), and first Readers.

In the grammar schools we have taken up the second Readers (New and improved normal), introducing two-part singing.

In the High School singing was at a standstill during my illness, but the work is being carried on now and the scholars are having regular practice in sight reading and song singing. Every time a lesson is given there, I feel the need of a piano to help with the songs. With such a small body of singers I find it very hard to prepare songs for school use without the aid of an instrument.



I sincerely think that a piano in your high school would be a great help to the music there, adding more interest to the music period and stimulating the scholars to a study of the best music, which could not be done without one. I hope your committee will give this matter careful consideration.

I wish we might have more of the parents visit the schools on music day to see what the children are doing in their regular work, and to become acquainted with the methods taught. It would be an encouragement to both pupils and teacher. Last Decoration Day the scholars of the South, Centre, and High School united and sang very creditably several patriotic songs at the Grand Army exercises in Town Hall.

Miss Ann M. Barnes of Waltham, substituted for me during the last three weeks of my sickness, and did good work in directing the music.

I cannot close without thanking you and your committee for your support and kindness during the year especially at the time of my sickness. Also the teachers who have faithfully carried out my plans.

Yours truly,

F. W. ARCHIBALD,

*Supervisor of Music.*

## ROLL OF HONOR.

PUPILS NEITHER ABSENT NOR TARDY.

DURING THREE YEARS.

Lossie E. Laird.

DURING TWO TERMS.

Mary A. Dee,	Roderick E. Laird,
Mary E. Ehlert,	Herbert E. Farrar,
	Sumner Smith.

DURING ONE TERM.

CENTRE GRAMMAR.

Kate Dempsey,	George P. Cook,
Mary Dempsey,	Georgia V. Sherman,
Charlotte H. Stone,	*George Grosvenor Tarbell,
	Herman T. Wheeler.

CENTRE PRIMARY.

*Arthur F. Chapin,	Daniel Lennon,
Mary Dougherty,	Annie G. Smith,
John Lahey,	Olive R. Smith.

SOUTH GRAMMAR.

Harriett Boyce,	Emmons Cook,
*Lillian Boyce,	Lizzie Moynihan,
	Bessie Tyler.

SOUTH PRIMARY.

*Robert Baker,	Frank Moynihan,
*Minot Boyce,	Jerry Moynihan,
	Grace Tyler.

29 names on the Roll of Honor.

\* Tardy once.

## SCHOOL CALENDAR FOR 1898.

Winter term opened January 3, closes March 25; 12 weeks.

Spring term opens April 4, closes June 17; 11 weeks.

Fall term opens September 6, closes December 16; 15 weeks.

Recess from Wednesday before Thanksgiving to following Monday.

Winter term opens January 2, 1899.

## SCHOOL STATISTICS.

Number of children enumerated in town between five and fifteen years of age May 1, 1897,	143
Number between eight and fourteen May 1, 1897,	120
Number of pupils enrolled in the public schools,	199
Number attending within the year under five years of age, . . . . .	0
Number attending within the year over fifteen years of age, . . . . .	29
Number attending within the year between eight and fourteen years of age, . . . . .	111
Average membership of all the schools, . . . . .	153
Average daily attendance, . . . . .	138
Per cent. of attendance based on average member- ship, . . . . .	91
Number of buildings occupied, . . . . .	3
Number of school-rooms occupied, . . . . .	6
Number of teachers employed, . . . . .	7

## TABULAR STATEMENT OF SCHOOL ATTENDANCE.

SCHOOLS.	Terms.	Teachers.	Enrollment.	Average Membership.	Average Attendance.	Per cent. of Attendance.	Times Tardy.	Dismissals.	Visitors.	Teachers' Salaries per month.	Length of School in weeks.
High,	{ Winter, Spring, Fall,	Ernest W. Small.	17	16.92	15.74	93.03	9	13	7	\$84.20	12
		{ Anna Prescott Sherman, Assistant. Ernest W. Small, Principal.	17	15.42	14.22	92.22	8	9	2	84.20	11
Centre Gram.,	{ Winter, Spring, Fall,	Carrie B. Chapin.	16	15.74	14.27	92.56	9	8	13	89.48	15
		{ Carrie B. Chapin. Carrie B. Chapin.	35	33.18	29.02	87.46	12	31	38	48.00	12
S. Grammar,	{ Winter, Spring, Fall,	Nellie M. Newton.	33	31.83	28.22	88.63	72	36	22	48.00	12
		{ Nellie M. Newton. Bessie F. Moore.	31	25.07	23.87	92.99	52	7	6	48.00	11
Centre Prim.,	{ Winter, Spring, Fall,	{ Grace R. Farrar, Assistant. Harriette F. Sawin.	44	39.44	34.35	87.04	44	3	30	36.00	12
		{ Grace R. Farrar, Assistant. Harriette F. Sawin.	51	39.44	34.86	88.39	45	3	14	44.00	11
S. Primary,	{ Winter, Spring, Fall,	{ Nellie M. Newton, Assistant. Harriette F. Sawin.	48	43.97	40.56	92.24	27	12	42	44.00	15
		{ Marion H. Morgan. Marion H. Morgan. Hattie B. Heath.	36	32.00	28.03	87.59	34	18	13	44.00	12
			36	33.44	29.25	87.47	55	35	7	44.00	11
			32	30.09	28.68	95.31	15	9	31	40.00	15

## SUMMARY FOR THE YEAR.

High,	20	16.03	14.74	92.60	26	30	22	\$820
Centre Grammar,	39	34.78	31.17	89.42	27	67	47	456
South Grammar,	34	28.90	26.63	92.29	154	91	58	456
Centre Primary,	64	40.95	36.59	89.22	116	18	86	418
South Primary,	42	31.84	28.65	90.12	104	62	51	403
Totals, 1897,	199	153	138	90.73	427	208	204	
" 1896,	199	150	133	89.44				

# By-Laws of the Town of Lincoln.

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## COMMONWEALTH OF MASSACHUSETTS.

MIDDLESEX, SS.

At the Superior Court, within and for the County  
of Middlesex, Anno Domini, 1897,

The following By-Laws of the Town of Lincoln, in said  
County, are presented to this Court for approval, to wit:—

### “ARTICLE I.

#### *TOWN MEETINGS.*

SECTION 1. The annual town meeting shall be held on the first  
Monday of March in each year.

SECT. 2. Notice of every town meeting shall be given by  
posting copies of the warrant calling the same, attested by the  
officer making service thereof, in each of the post-offices within  
the town, and in one of the churches, or one other public place,  
within the town, not less than seven days before the day appointed  
for such meeting. But when, in the judgment of the selectmen,  
the interests of the town require a meeting to be held without  
giving so long a notice, a meeting may be called by posting attest-  
ed copies of the warrant in the places above mentioned, and by  
leaving a printed copy thereof at each dwelling-house within the  
town, at least three days before the time appointed for the meet-  
ing; provided that in such cases the selectmen shall certify that,  
in their opinion, the interests of the town require that a town  
meeting be called upon a notice of less than seven days, which  
certificate shall be made upon, or attached to, the original warrant,  
and shall be served as a part thereof.



## ARTICLE II.

*FINANCES.*

SECTION 1. The financial year shall commence with the first day of February and end with the thirty-first day of January annually.

SECT. 2. The town treasurer shall have the custody of all funds belonging to the town except sinking funds, trust funds and funds for which other provision is made by law; and he shall pay no money from the treasury except upon a draft signed by a majority of the selectmen, stating the account to which the same is chargeable. Such draft shall be sufficient authority to the treasurer to pay the same, and the payment thereof shall discharge him from all liability on account of the money so paid.

SECT. 3. The water commissioners and all other boards, committees and officers shall, on the first day of each month, pay to the town treasurer all sums collected by them the month previous to the custody of which the treasurer is entitled.

SECT. 4. A majority of the water commissioners, school committee, or of any board, or committee, and any officer having charge of the expenditure of an appropriation, shall approve in writing all accounts, claims, bills and pay-rolls properly chargeable to such appropriation, and shall transmit the same with his or their approval to the selectmen. All other accounts, claims, bills and pay-rolls shall be examined by the selectmen and, if proper, shall be approved by them. The selectmen shall label all accounts, claims, bills and pay-rolls which have been approved either by themselves or by the other officers before mentioned, and shall keep a record thereof in a book kept for the purpose, stating the persons to whom payable, the amounts and dates thereof, and the funds, or appropriations, from which the same are payable.

SECT. 5. Drafts signed by a majority of the selectmen, stating the accounts to which the same are chargeable, shall be drawn upon the treasurer for the payment of all sums by law payable from the treasury to the commonwealth or county, final judgments of courts, bonds, notes, and scrip of the town and interest thereon and money payable to the commissioners of the sinking fund and to the trustees of the public library; and also for the payment of all accounts, claims, bills and pay rolls which have been approved in the manner provided in the previous section. Such drafts shall

not be negotiated, but shall be transmitted by the selectmen directly to the treasurer accompanied by the approved bills or other documents for the settlement of which the drafts are drawn.

SECT. 6. The treasurer shall file and safely keep all approved and receipted accounts, claims, bills, and pay-rolls, and all vouchers, cancelled bonds, notes, scrip, and other evidences of indebtedness of the town which have been paid from the treasury.

SECT. 7. No draft shall be drawn by the selectmen unless there is sufficient appropriation to pay the same, except for sums by law payable to the commonwealth or county, final judgments of courts, bonds, notes and scrip of the town and interest thereon, and money payable to the commissioners of the sinking fund.

SECT. 8. The selectmen and treasurer respectively shall make a record, in a book kept for the purpose, of each appropriation, with a list of the drafts drawn against such appropriation, and shall make a record of all bonds, notes, scrip, or other evidence of indebtedness of the town, signed or countersigned by them.

SECT. 9. When the bills contracted or approved by any board, committee, or officer have exhausted the entire appropriation for such board, committee or officer, they shall incur no further expenditure, except in cases where such expenditure may be required by law; and it shall be the duty of each board, committee or officer before the close of the financial year to approve all accounts, claims, bills and pay-rolls chargeable to their appropriation. During the interval between the thirty-first day of January in each year and the time of making the next annual appropriations, the selectmen, school committee and water commissioners, in order to meet the liabilities of their several departments, incurred in the carrying on of the work entrusted to them, shall have authority to make expenditures and payments from the treasury from any available funds therein, and the same shall be charged against the next annual appropriation. Such expenditure and liability incurred for any purpose shall not exceed one-fourth the entire amount appropriated for that purpose in the previous year.

SECT. 10. Unless the town shall expressly otherwise vote, no extension of water pipes shall be made unless before the work of construction is begun one or more of the persons whom it is proposed to supply with water by means of such extension, shall file with the town clerk a bond with sureties satisfactory to the

water commissioners, conditioned to pay to the town for five years next following the completion of such extension and the letting of water into the same, a sum sufficient, together with the net annual income from such extension, to amount annually to five per centum of the total cost thereof.

### ARTICLE III.

#### *TOWN SEAL.*

SECTION 1. The design of the town seal shall be: a circle, in the border the words "Lincoln. Incorporated in 1746 as a Precinct: in 1754 as a Town;" in the center, a shield, in the chief or upper part of which on a cross, gules, a fleur-de-lis, gold, from the old seal of Lincoln, England, and in the base of the shield a view of the present town hall; crest, the old chestnut tree standing upon the common in Lincoln; in saltire two shepherd's crooks; the device thereof being as follows:



SECT. 2. All deeds and other legal documents made, given or entered into by the town requiring a seal shall be sealed with the town seal, and signed in behalf of the town by a majority of the selectmen.

SECT. 3. The town clerk shall have the custody of the town seal.

### ARTICLE IV.

#### *RECORDS.*

SECTION 1. The town clerk shall record in full in a book kept for the purpose all written contracts, deeds and other instruments to which the town is a party except such instruments as may by law be recorded in the Registry of Deeds; and it shall be the duty of any board or officer executing or receiving such written contract, or other instrument, to deliver the same forthwith to the

town clerk for the purposes of record. It shall be the duty of the town clerk to see that all conveyances of real estate to the town are properly recorded in the Registry of Deeds.

SECT. 2. The town clerk shall keep a file of all town reports, reports of all committees chosen by the town, and all original documents relating to the affairs of the town which may come into his possession.

## ARTICLE V.

### *BOOKS.*

SECTION 1. Books, records and laws received by the town from the commonwealth shall be deposited in the public library building.

SECT. 2. It shall be the duty of the town officer by whom any book mentioned in the preceding section is received, to cause the same to be at once deposited in the public library building.

SECT. 3. Such books may be used by the inhabitants of the town within such building, and may be taken therefrom upon written receipt to the librarian for a period not exceeding one day at any one time for use in any town meeting, or by or before any committee or official of the town.

## ARTICLE VI.

### *SUITS AND CONTROVERSIES.*

SECTION 1. The selectmen may compromise claims and suits to which the town is a party, provided that they shall act upon the advice of counsel when the amount claimed by or against the town exceeds \$200.00.

SECT. 2. The selectmen shall have, unless it is otherwise voted by the town, full authority as agents of the town to institute and prosecute suits or other proceedings in the name of the town before any tribunal, to appear and represent or defend the town before any tribunal in all suits and other proceedings against the town or in which the town has an interest, to employ counsel for the purposes aforesaid and for other purposes when it may be expedient to do so, and to take all necessary and proper measures for the protection of the interests and rights of the town.



SECT. 3. If the town shall, at any meeting called for the purpose, choose a committee on claims, such committee shall have and exercise exclusively all the powers and duties conferred upon the selectmen by the two preceding sections.

## ARTICLE VII.

### *REPORTS AND PUBLICATIONS BY THE TOWN.*

SECTION 1. The annual reports of the town officers, boards and committees shall be prepared in form suitable for printing on or before the tenth day of February in each year. The selectmen shall cause such reports to be printed and distributed to the legal voters of the town seven days at least before the annual meeting.

SECT. 2. The selectmen shall cause to be printed and bound each year with the annual reports of the town officers, boards and committees, a copy of the records of the town meetings during the preceding year; a statement of all devises, bequests and donations to the town during the preceding year; a list of all laws of the commonwealth accepted by the town during the year; all by-laws adopted by the town since the preceding annual report; copies of the laying out, alteration, locating anew or discontinuance of any highway or townway within the limits of the town during the preceding year; and a statement of all outstanding bonds, notes and obligations of the town for the payment of money.

SECT. 3. The selectmen shall from time to time cause to be printed a sufficient number of copies of the by-laws of the town and shall incorporate therewith a list of the laws of the commonwealth which have been accepted by the town.

## ARTICLE VIII.

### *TRUANTS.*

SECTION 1. Any minor being an habitual truant, and any child between the ages of seven and fifteen years found wandering about the streets or public places within the town having no lawful occupation or business, not attending school, and growing up in ignorance, and such children as persistently violate the reasonable rules and regulations of the public schools, may upon conviction thereof be committed to the Middlesex County Truant School at Chelmsford, Mass., or to any other place provided by the town within its limits, for confinement, instruction, and discipline.



## ARTICLE IX.

*POLICE REGULATIONS.*

SECTION 1. No person shall coast upon any public street or part thereof after the selectmen have posted a notice prohibiting coasting upon such street or part thereof.

SECT. 2. No person, unless authorized by law, shall break or dig up any part of any street without a written permit therefor from the selectmen. Every person who after obtaining such permit shall obstruct or render unsafe any public street, shall guard the same by a proper fence or railing, and by lights during the night time, subject to the approval of the selectmen. Such permit may be revoked at any time.

SECT. 3. No person shall be or remain in any doorway, or upon any stairs, doorstep, portico or other projection from any house or building, or upon or against any wall or fence on or near any street or public place, after having been requested by the owner or any occupant of the premises or by any constable or police officer to remove therefrom.

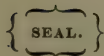
SECT. 4. No person shall make, write, print, paint, cut or post any indecent or obscene marks, words, figures or signs upon any fence, building, post, tree or other object exposed to public view.

SECT. 5. No person shall wilfully injure, mar, deface or destroy any fence, signboard, guideboard, lamp-post, lamp or lantern in any street or public place, nor extinguish any street light, nor extinguish or remove any light placed to denote an obstruction or a defect in any public street or way, without proper authority to do so.

SECT. 6. Any person who shall offend against any of the provisions of this article shall forfeit and pay, for each offence, a sum not exceeding twenty dollars."

Which said By-Laws being seen and understood by the Court. are on this nineteenth day of June, A. D. 1897, approved.

In testimony that the foregoing is a true copy of record, I hereto set my hand and affix the seal of said Court, this twenty-second day of June, A. D. 1897.



RALPH M. SMITH, *Ass't Clerk.*



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